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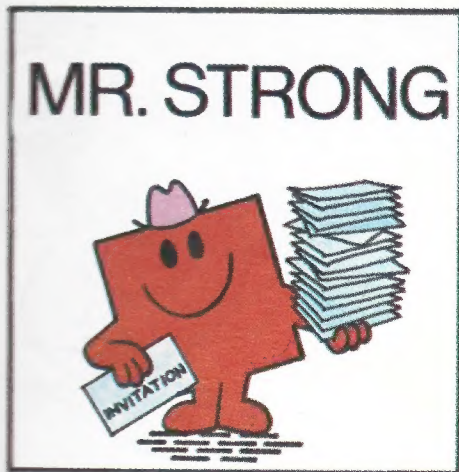
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A MIRROR BOOK





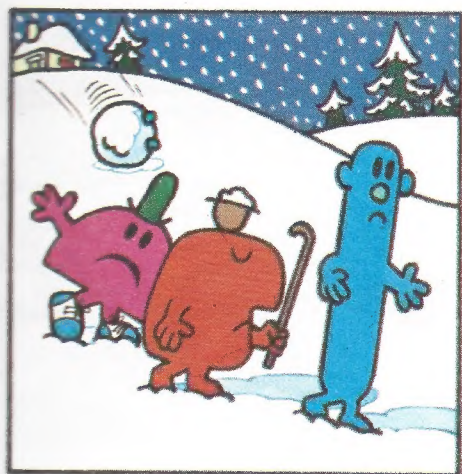
1. Here is Mr. Strong, and he is sending invitations, asking his Mr. Men friends to a party.



2. On the day of the party there was lots of snow. And Mr. Bump, on his way, tripped and fell!



3. He rolled over and over down a hill, gathering snow. At last he looked just like a snowball.



4. "We're late for the party," said Mr. Mean, as the snowball rolled fast towards them.



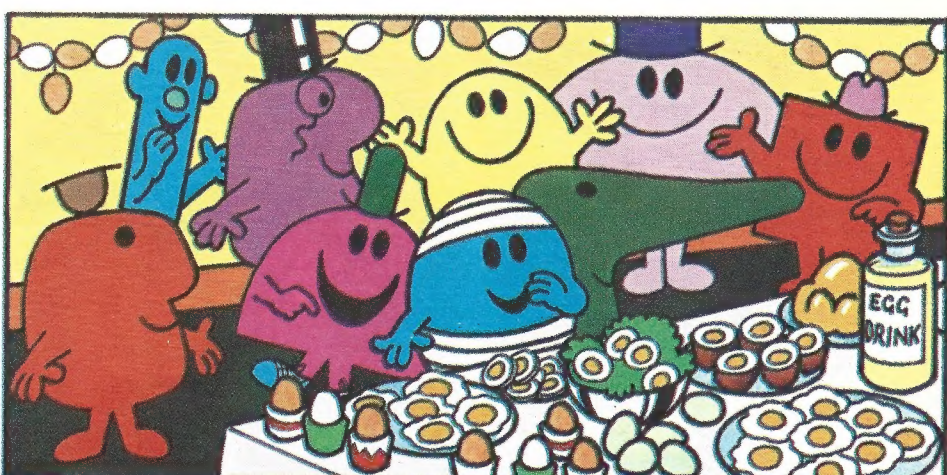
5. The snowball then picked up the Mr. Men, and rolled on towards others trudging through the snow.



6. "I'll see if my friends are coming," said Mr. Strong. And he saw the huge snowball coming!



7. And he stopped it! "Why, it's full of Mr. Men," he smiled. They were in time for the party!



8. "A lovely party, Mr. Strong," everyone said. And, as you can see, everything they had to eat and drink was made with eggs, which Mr. Strong eats to make him strong! And he had egg-shell decorations!

MR. SMALL



1. Here is Mr. Small, who is very, very small. "I'll go for a nice long walk today," he said.



2. When he was far from home, it started to snow. And poor Mr. Small had no fire to go home to!



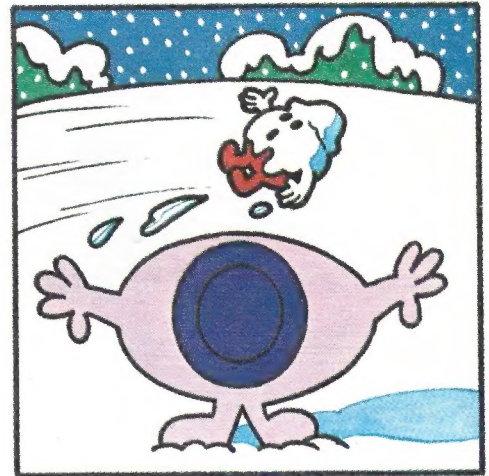
3. Soon Mr. Small was covered in snow. And two Mr. Men having snowball fun didn't see him!



4. "Here's a nice snowball I can throw," said Mr. Greedy. And he picked up Mr. Small!



5. *Swoosh!* Mr. Greedy threw snowball Mr. Small through the air, straight at Mr. Impossible!



6. But Mr. Impossible ducked and dodged the snowball. And Mr. Small sailed on through the air!



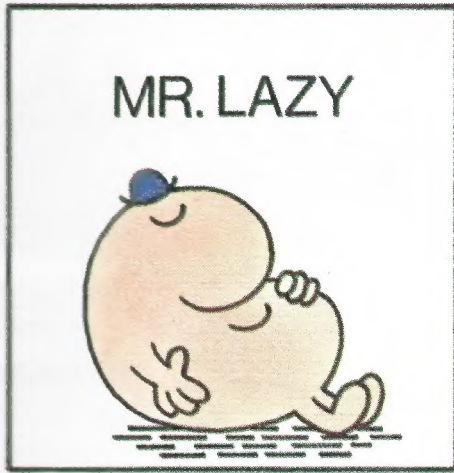
7. On and on he went, and through the open window of a house. Mr. Small was very, very worried.



8. But it was his friend Mr. Robinson's house. He was glad to have Mr. Small drop in!



9. And Mr. Small was so happy. With no fire at home, it was nice to sit by a fire and have tea!



1. Mr. Lazy is the laziest person you have ever seen. He lives in Sleepyland.



2. Mr. Sneeze was coming to tea, so Mr. Lazy decided to sweep the snow from the path.



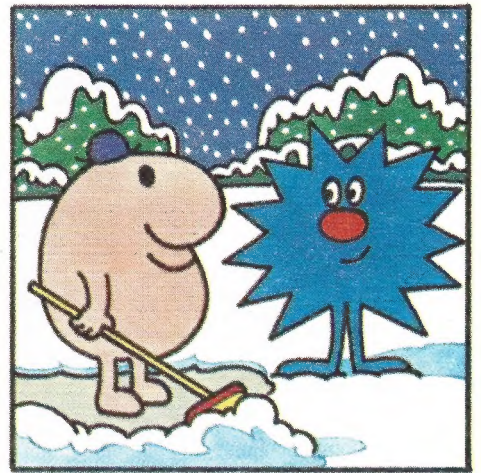
3. Ever so slowly Mr. Lazy's eyes began to close as he swept. Then he fell fast asleep.



4. Even though it was snowing, Mr. Lazy stayed asleep until Mr. Sneeze arrived. He was amazed.



5. "Fancy falling asleep in the snow," he thought. Then he did what he often does — sneezed.



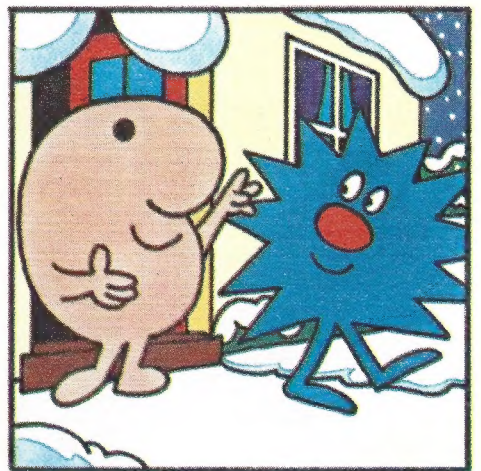
6. The noise of that huge sneeze woke Mr. Lazy up. "Hello, Mr. Sneeze," smiled Mr. Lazy, lazily.



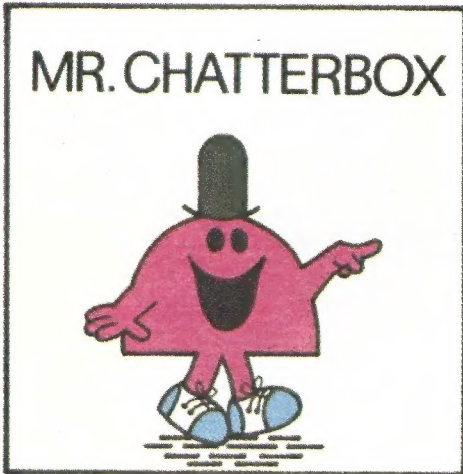
7. The two Mr. Men went inside to have tea. Soon Mr. Lazy was fast asleep at the tea table.



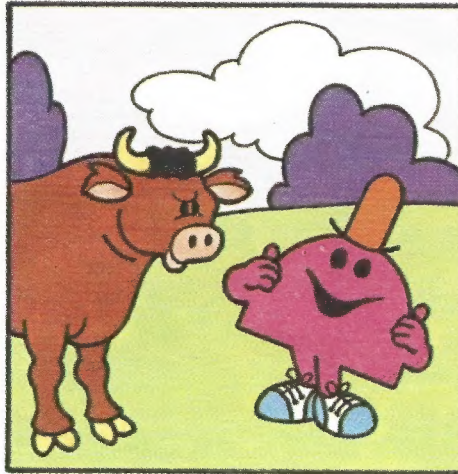
8. So Mr. Sneeze ate his tea and then — he sneezed — loudly! Mr. Lazy woke up again.



9. "I'm going home now," said Mr. Sneeze. "Bye, bye," waved Mr. Lazy. Then he went to sleep!



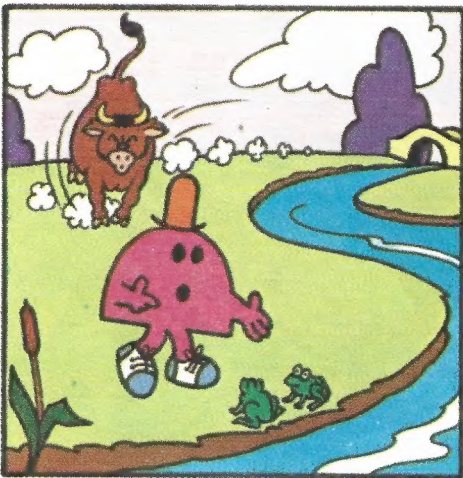
1. As usual, Mr. Chatterbox is looking for someone to talk to. "Ah, there's someone," he smiled.



2. "How do you moo — I mean do, Mrs. Moo-cow?" said funny Mr. Chatterbox. But it was a bull!



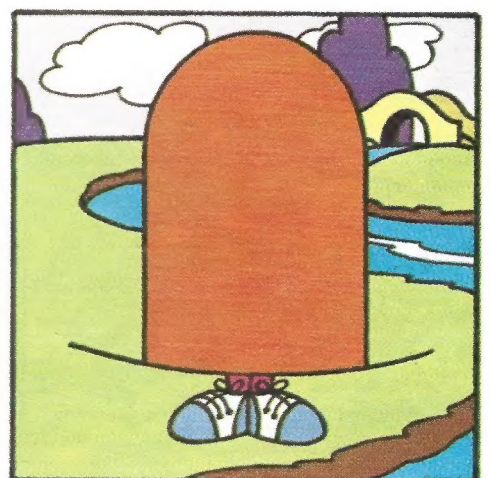
3. "How dare you think I'm a cow!" snorted Bill Bull. And he chased surprised Mr. Chatterbox.



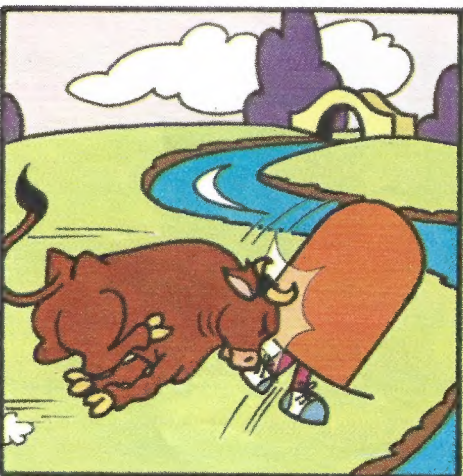
4. Then Mr. Chatterbox came to a stream. "It's too deep for you to cross!" croaked two frogs.



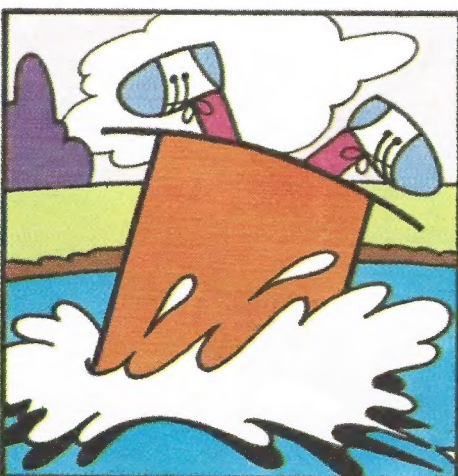
5. Now, when Mr. Chatterbox talks a lot, his hat grows. So he talked a lot — and his hat grew bigger!



6. Soon, the hat was so big, it covered Mr. Chatterbox. "Bill Bull won't see me now," he thought.



7. But Bill Bull recognised Mr. Chatterbox's hat, and charged! BIFF! The hat toppled over!

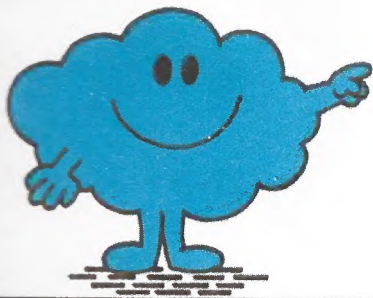


8. Then, *splash!* Mr. Chatterbox's hat was in the stream, with him, upside-down, inside!



9. Mr. Chatterbox was happy — the right way up! "Bye-bye, Mr. Bull!" he called from his hat-boat.

MR. DAYDREAM



1. Mr. Daydream has exciting adventures with a boy named Jack. He is on his way to see Jack now.



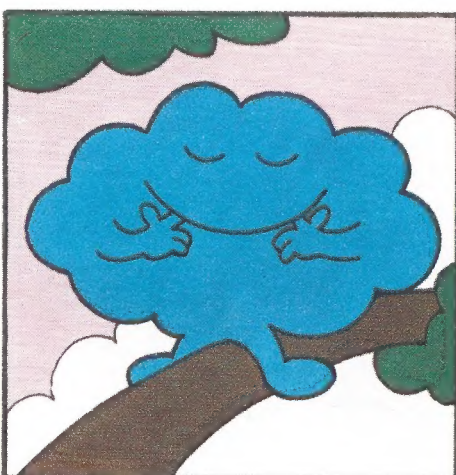
2. And here is Jack, day-dreaming as he reads a book- all about aeroplanes. His Mummy called him.



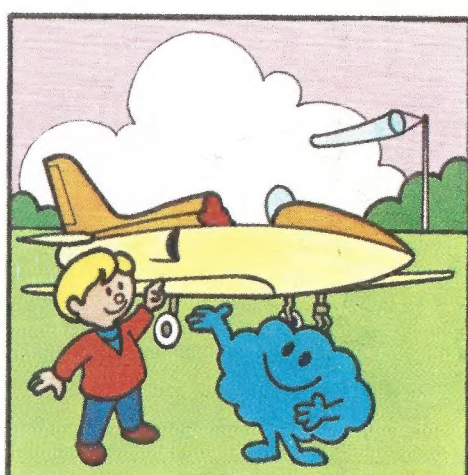
3. "Time for your bath, Jack," said Mummy. But Jack got up and ran, towards a tree in the garden.



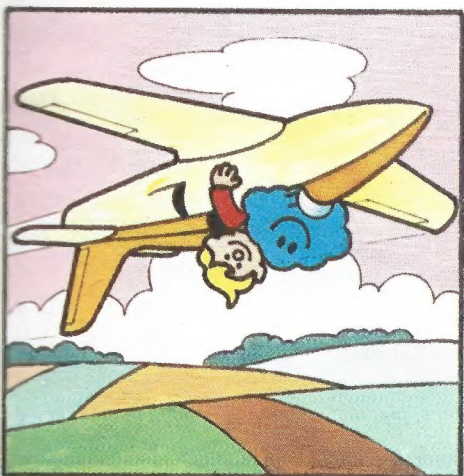
4. Jack climbed the tree. And there he saw a blue, cloud-shaped figure. It was Mr. Daydream!



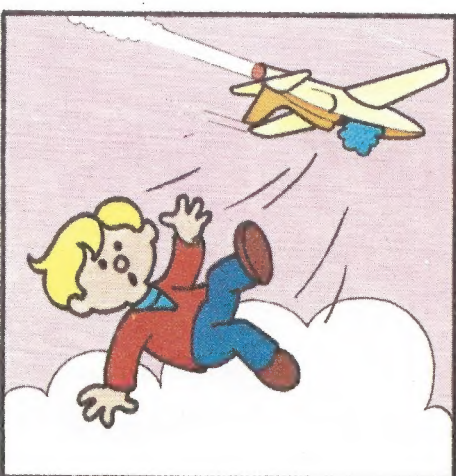
5. "Let's have an adventure," said Mr. Daydream. And, with two fingers in his mouth, he whistled.



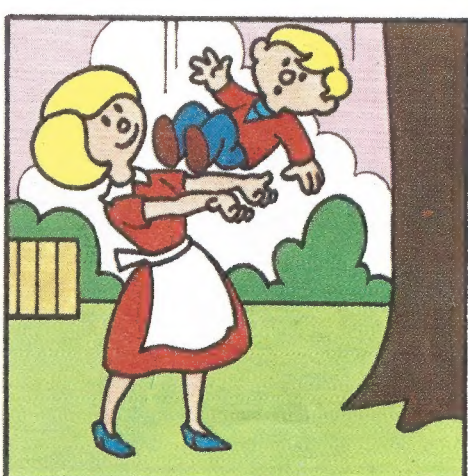
6. The very next moment, Mr. Daydream and Jack were standing beside a super jet aeroplane.



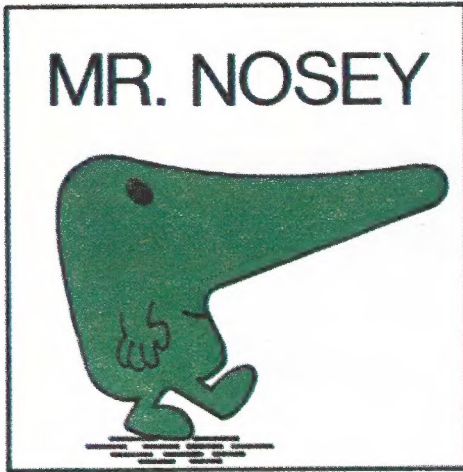
7. They flew high, upside-down. "Enjoying it, Jack?" called Mr. Daydream. "Oh, yes," cried Jack.



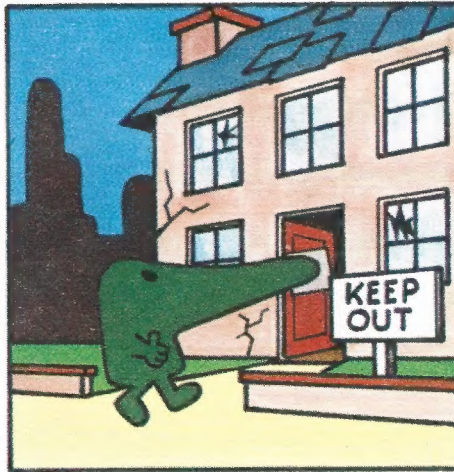
8. But then, day-dreaming Jack fell out of the plane — down, down, down! "JACK! JACK!"



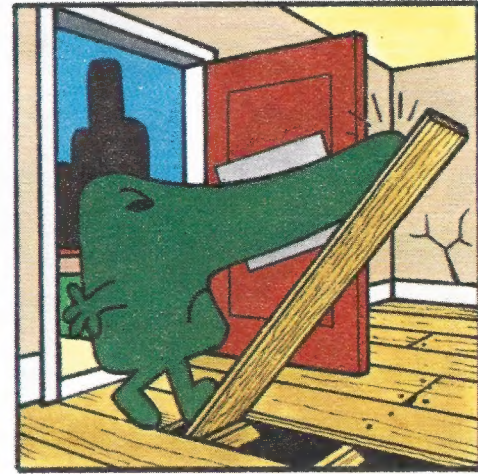
9. It was Mummy shouting. She caught Jack, who had fallen out of the tree! Then he had a bath!



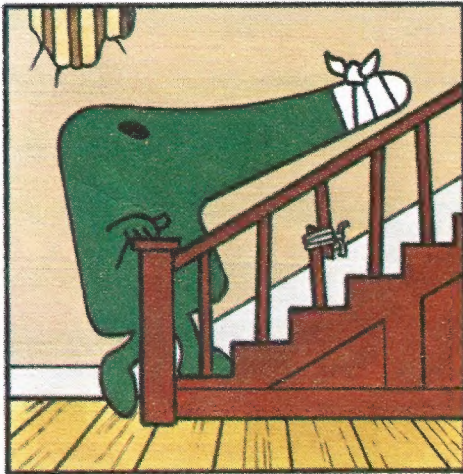
1. Here is Mr. Nosey, and, of course, he is going out to be nosey wherever he can!



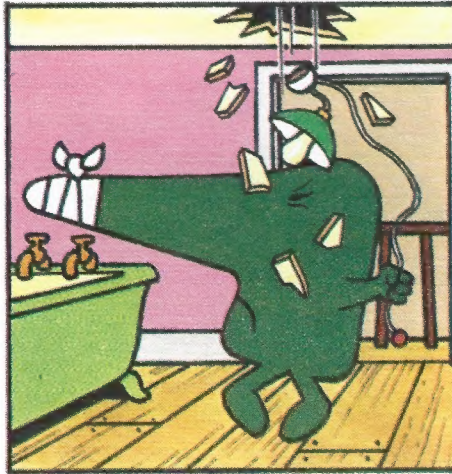
2. He came to an old house, with a notice KEEP OUT. But Mr. Nosey had to go IN and nosey around!



3. *Bomp!* Mr. Nosey did not see that loose floorboard — until it came up and hit him on the nose!



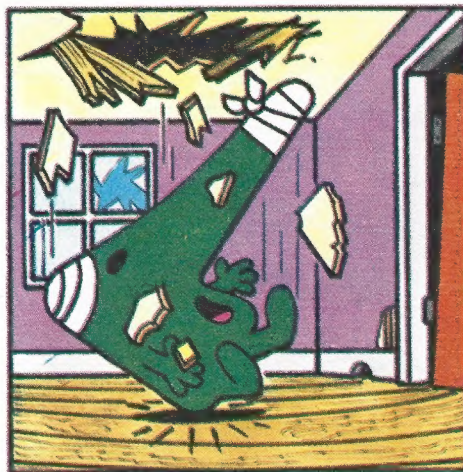
4. With his sore nose bandaged, Mr. Nosey went up the stairs to be nosey. It was a bit dark.



5. In the bathroom, he pulled the light switch — and down came the light, on to his head!



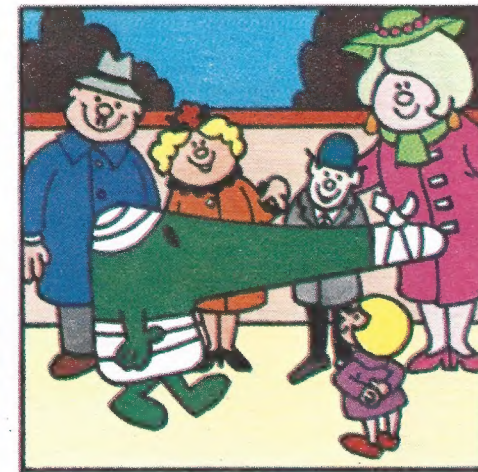
6. So Mr. Nosey had two bandages, on his nose and his head! And in another room, he fell!



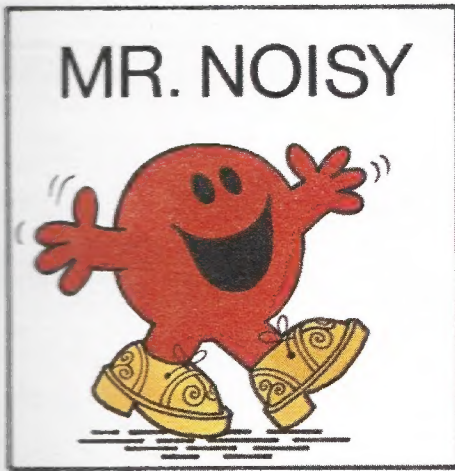
7. CRASH! Down through the floor went Mr. Nosey! "Oh dear, I've had another bump," he gasped.



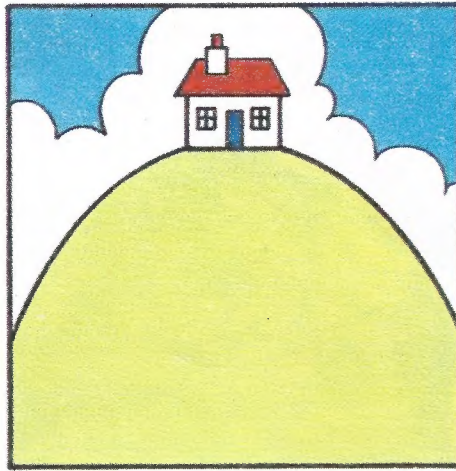
8. Another bandage! And as Mr. Nosey went out, he saw the *danger* notice he didn't see coming in!



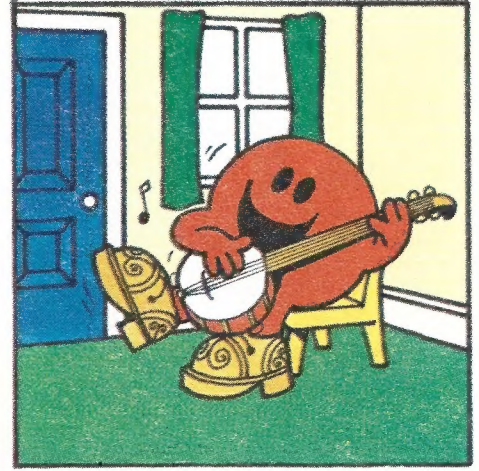
9. People laughed when they saw bandaged Mr. Nosey. "You look like Mr. Bump, Nosey," they said.



1. Mr. Noisy looks very happy, doesn't he? That's because he has bought something special!



2. Now here is Mr. Noisy's house. It looks a quiet place, on top of that hill. But, oh no!



3. Mr. Noisy had bought a banjo! And as he played and sang, the noise was heard miles away!



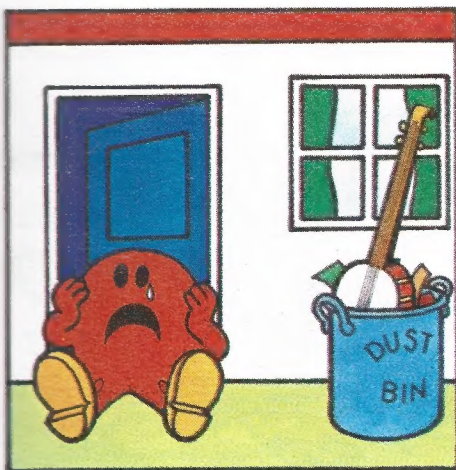
4. "Mr. Noisy is being noisy again," said the people in town, at the bottom of the hill. They were cross!



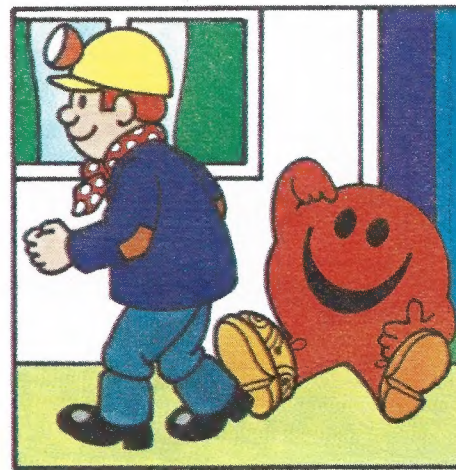
5. So, up the hill marched the people, to Mr. Noisy's house. It was shaking with the noise!



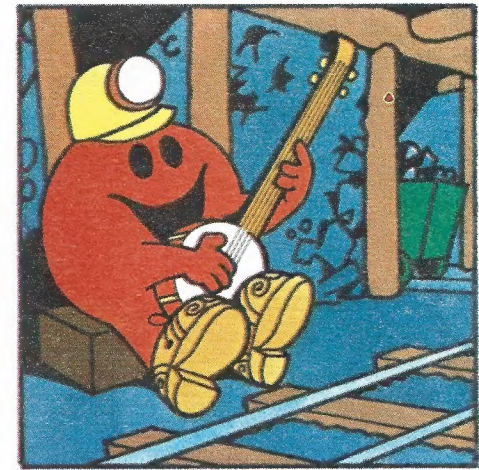
6. "Stop that noise, Mr. Noisy," said the butcher. "We can't hear ourselves talk," said a lady. "My baby can't sleep!"



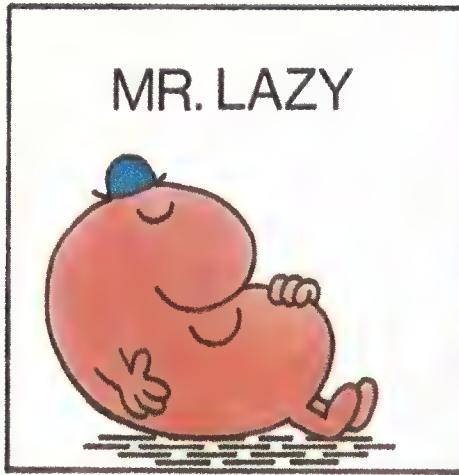
7. Poor Mr. Noisy. He put his banjo in the dustbin and sat outside his house, looking so sad.



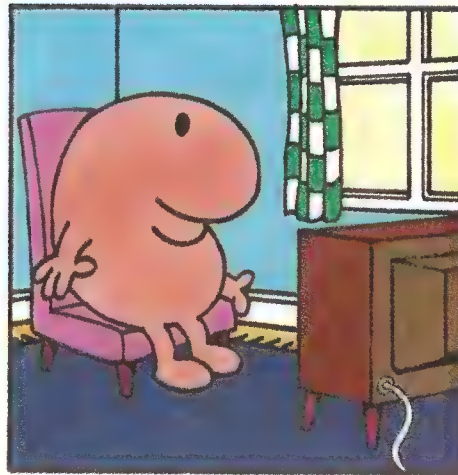
8. Then along came a miner, from a mine where work had finished for the day. Mr. Noisy had an idea!



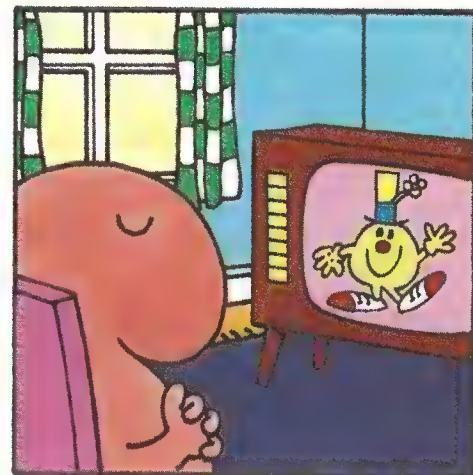
9. He took his banjo down the deep mine! Now, every evening, he plays there — without being heard!



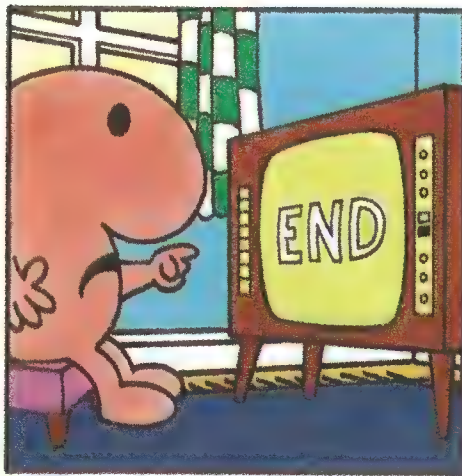
1. Here is Mr. Lazy, the most lazy and sleepest person in Sleepyland. He is fast asleep.



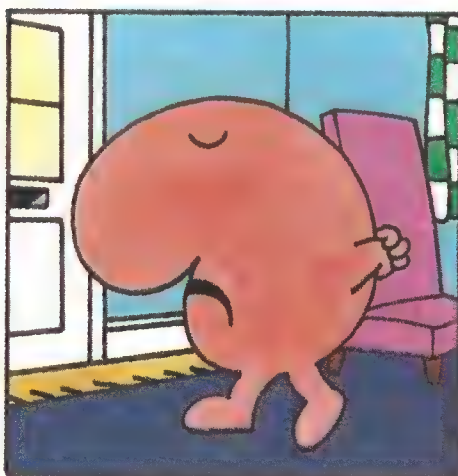
2. Now, here is Mr. Lazy wide awake, waiting for his favourite programme to start on TV.



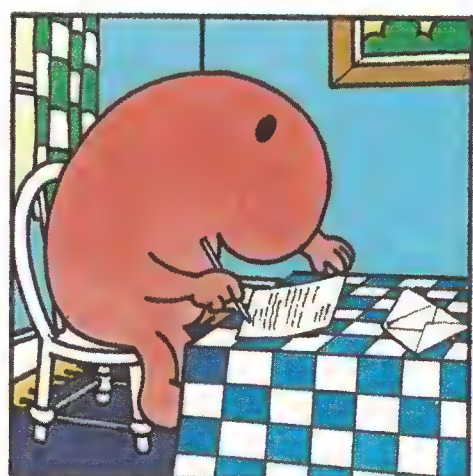
3. When the MR. MEN programme started, and Mr. Funny was funny, Mr. Lazy was asleep again!



4. He woke up as the programme ended. "Oh, now I've missed Mr. Funny," he sighed.



5. Mr. Lazy was upset. "I'll make sure I don't miss seeing Mr. Tickle next week," he said.



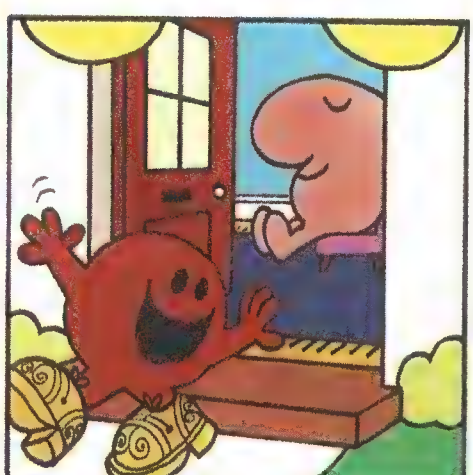
6. He wrote a letter inviting the noisiest of the Mr. Men to his house. Can you guess who?



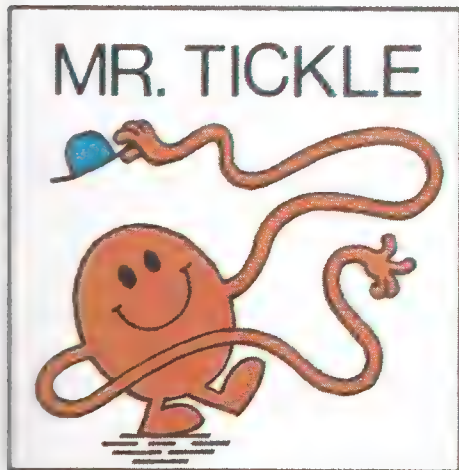
7. It was Mr. Noisy! "HALLO, MR. LAZY!" he said. "I'm glad you've come," said Mr. Lazy.



8. Mr. Noisy laughed so loudly as he watched Mr. Tickle, he kept Mr. Lazy awake to see the programme.



9. But when Mr. Noisy left, with a cheery "GOODBYE!" Mr. Lazy was dozing again. Sleepy Mr. Lazy!



1. Here is Mr. Tickle, and he is looking for someone to tickle, of course. But who will it be?



2. "Ah, there's Mr. Postman," said Mr. Tickle. His *long* arm reached out — and he tickled!



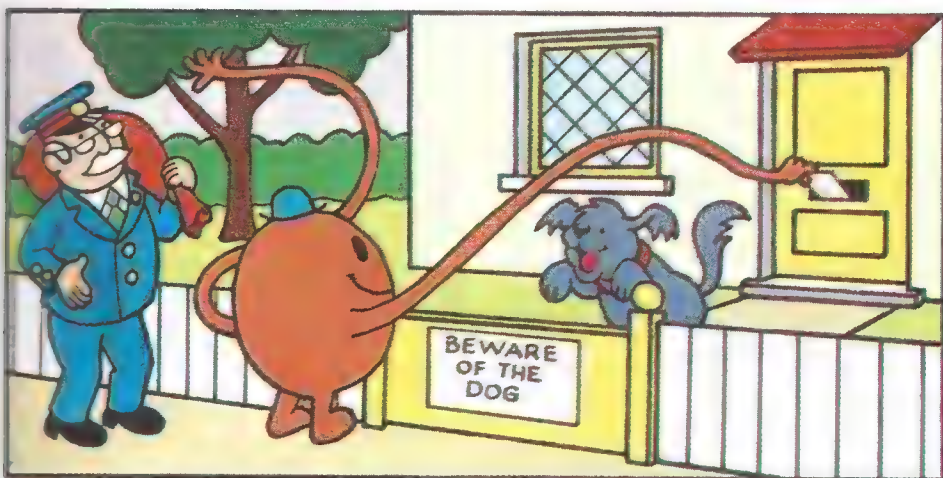
3. Surprised Mr. Postman let go of his sack and all the letters fell out. He was cross!



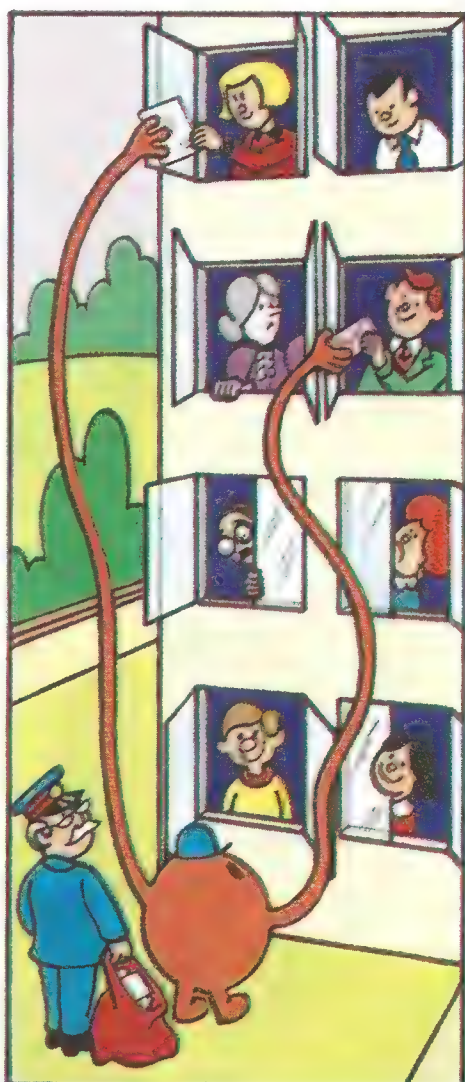
4. "Look what you made me do," said Mr. Postman, as PC Blue came along, looking stern.



5. "I saw you tickle," he said to Mr. Tickle. "Name and address, please." Mr. Tickle was sorry.



6. "I will help Mr. Postman now," he said. First he helped to pick up the letters. Then, with his extraordinary long arm, he delivered a letter at a house that had a very playful dog.



7. And with Mr. Tickle's help, Mr. Postman didn't have to climb lots of stairs at the flats!

MR. SMALL



1. Here is Mr. Small. He is so small — about the size of a pin — you could pass him and not see him!



2. Now here is Mr. Small's tiny house. It is a very windy day, and Mr. Small is going for a walk.



3. Well, that's what Mr. Small meant to do. But the wind blew him up high, and he went flying!



4. Up went Mr. Small, then down. And he was blown along the ground with some leaves.



5. Then, BOMP! He hit a bump in the ground and stopped. "I'll hold on to this," he puffed.



6. Mr. Mole popped up then. "I have been blown away," cried Mr. Small. "How will I get home?"



7. "Follow me!" said Mr. Mole. And as he tunnelled under the ground, small Mr. Small followed.



8. And Mr. Mole came up right outside Mr. Small's house! "You are home, Mr. Small," he said.

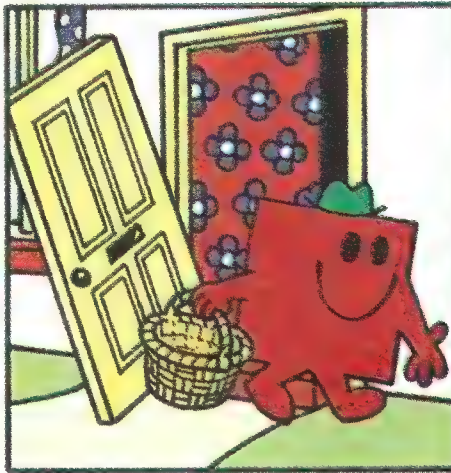


9. "Thank you, Mr. Mole," said Mr. Small, as they had tea. "I won't go out in a wind again!"

MR. STRONG



1. After eating lots of eggs, which make him strong, Mr. Strong decided to go shopping.



2. "I must buy more eggs," he said, opening his door and breaking it, because he is so strong.



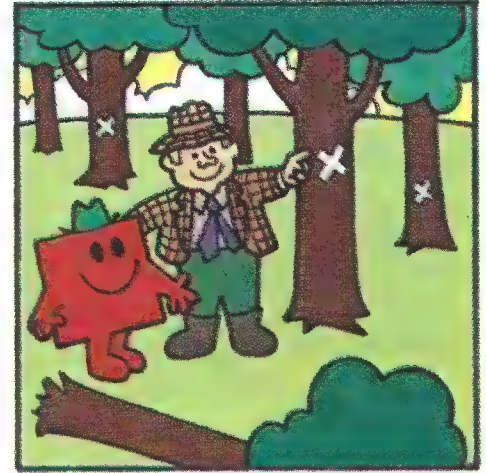
3. "I'll get to the egg-farm a lot quicker if I go through the forest," thought Mr. Strong.



4. In the forest he saw the egg-farmer, who puffed: "I have lots of old trees to chop down."



5. Then Mr. Strong bumped into a tree. "Whoops!" he said, as the tree fell to the ground.



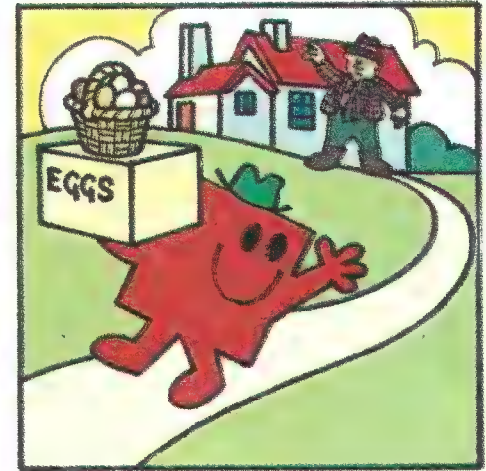
6. The farmer was delighted. "Please knock down the trees I have marked, Mr. Strong," he said.



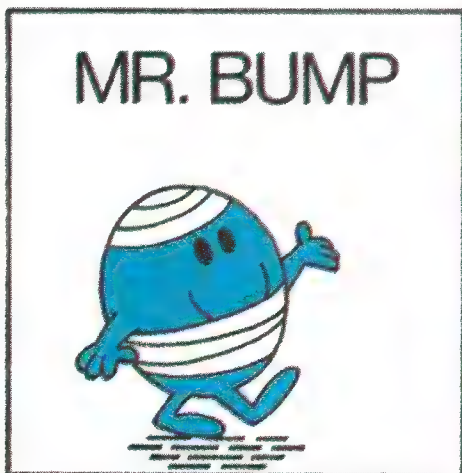
7. Mr. Strong had a busy, bumping time, then. And soon, the marked trees were down!



8. "You carry my basket, and I'll carry the trees, Farmer," said Mr. Strong. Isn't he strong?



9. The farmer was so pleased, he filled Mr. Strong's basket with eggs, and gave him a boxful, too!



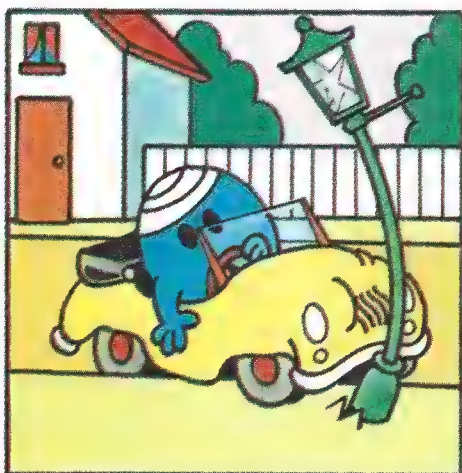
1. Here is Mr. Bump. Wherever he goes, he is sure to bump into something. He is going for a walk.



2. When Mr. Bump saw some of his Mr. Men friends in cars, he thought: "I must buy a car."



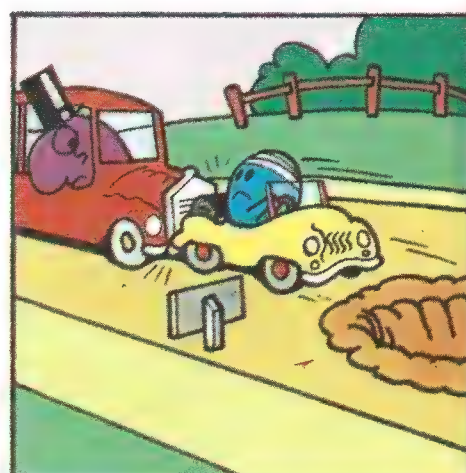
3. He bought a nice little car. "Drive carefully, Mr. Bump," said the car salesman, smiling.



4. Then look what happened! Mr. Bump bumped his car against a lamp post and dented it!



5. And when he drove on, he did not see a hole in the road, and drove into it! Another bump!



6. "I'll soon reverse out of here," said Mr. Bump. He did, but he bumped Mr. Uppity's fine car!



7. Mr. Uppity was so cross, he called a policeman. "I didn't mean to bump," said sad Mr. Bump.

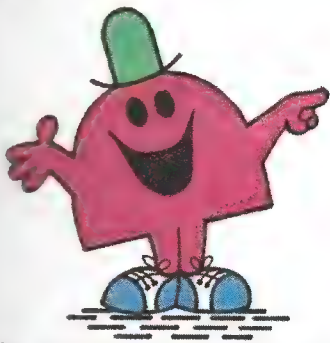


8. Then Mr. Bump sold his car and went for a walk — until he came to a fair. He was happy!



9. Mr. Bump drove a Dodgem car. But he didn't dodge! He bumped into his Mr. Men friends' Dodgems!

MR. CHATTERBOX



1. When Mr. Chatterbox talks to anyone, he goes on and on. He talks about all sorts of things.



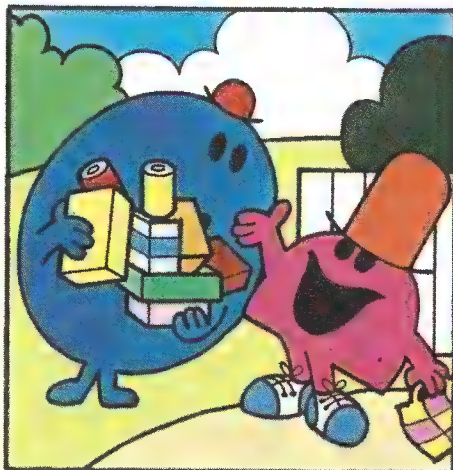
2. One day, when he was going shopping, he talked and talked to a neighbour, and forgot the time.



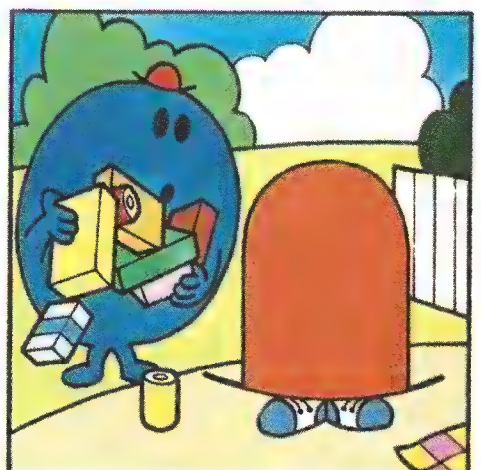
3. The shops were closed! And Mr. Forgetful, who had forgotten his bag, was troubled!



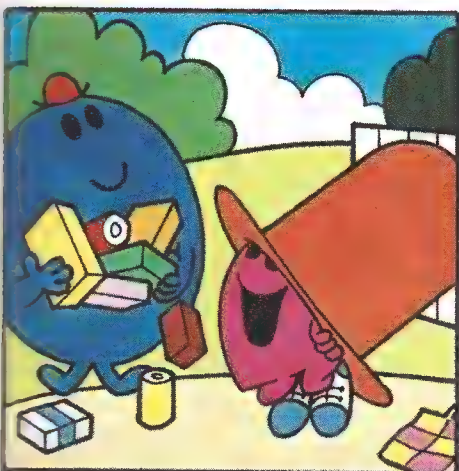
4. He dropped some of his goods. But Mr. Chatterbox, chattering away, picked them up.



5. And because Mr. Chatterbox chatted so much, his *magic* hat started to grow. And look!



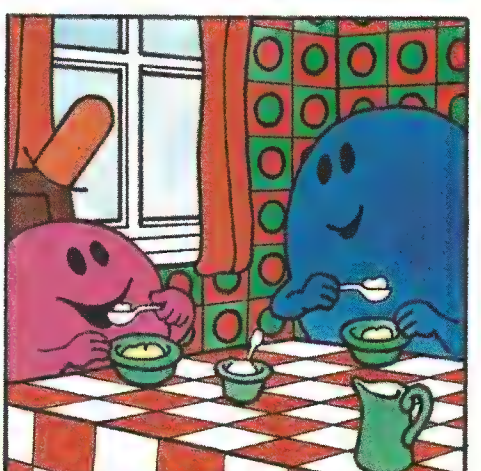
6. The hat grew so big as Mr. Chatterbox chattered, it fell down over him!



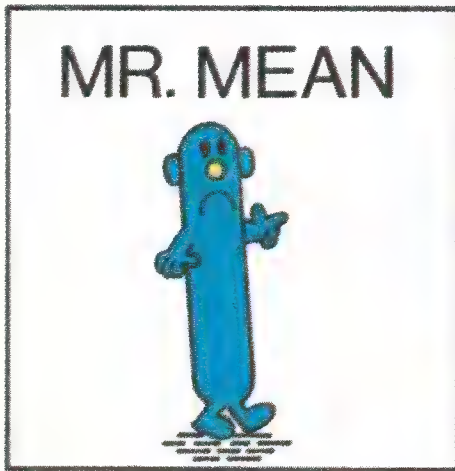
7. But Mr. Chatterbox smiled as he peeped out of the hat. He had an idea to help his friend!



8. They put the shopping in the hat and carried it to happy Mr. Forgetful's home!



9. Then the friends had porridge for tea. Mr. Forgetful had forgotten to buy tea-time things!



1. Mr. Mean is a real meanie! He has lots and lots of money, but he never wants to spend any!



2. When a poor match seller asked him to buy some matches, he said: "Oh, no! You keep them!"



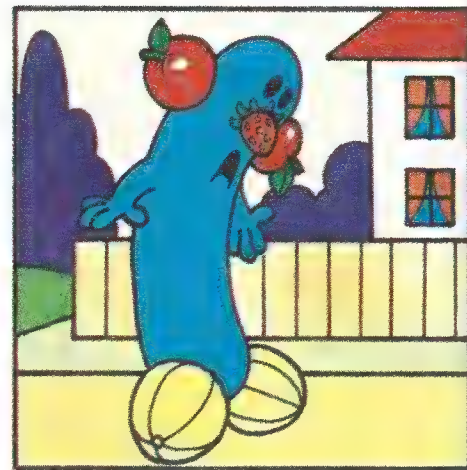
3. Now, this magician put a spell on Mr. Mean. When he is mean, funny things happen to him!



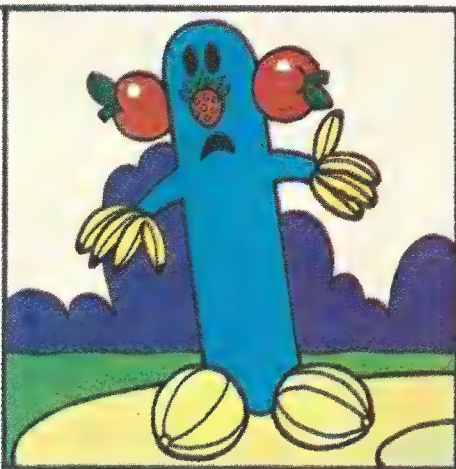
4. This day, Mr. Mean's ears turned into apples. "You do look funny," said the match seller.



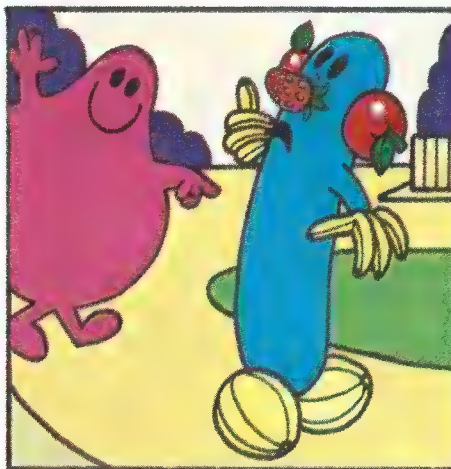
5. He looked funnier when he refused to buy some flowers from a lady. Look! A strawberry nose!



6. And when Mr. Mean refused to buy a toothbrush from a man, his feet became large melons.



7. "I like being mean," said Mr. Mean, who said "No!" to a flag seller. His fingers became bananas!



8. Mr. Mean then looked like a walking fruit shop. The sight of him made Mr. Greedy feel hungry.



9. When Mr. Greedy chased him to eat the fruit, Mr. Mean bought from the folk he was mean to!

MR. SMALL



1. Here is Mr. Small, who lives in a very small house at the bottom of Mr. Robinson's garden.



2. One morning, Mr. Small's bedroom was very dark, although it was a bright sunny day outside.



3. And no wonder the room was dark! The grass outside had grown as tall as Mr. Small's house!



4. "I must go and tell Mr. Robinson," said Mr. Small. It was like walking through a jungle!



5. Soon, Mr. Small was lost in the jungle. "I will never see my little home again," he told a worm.



6. "Follow me," said the worm. "I know where Mr. Robinson is." So Mr. Small followed the worm.



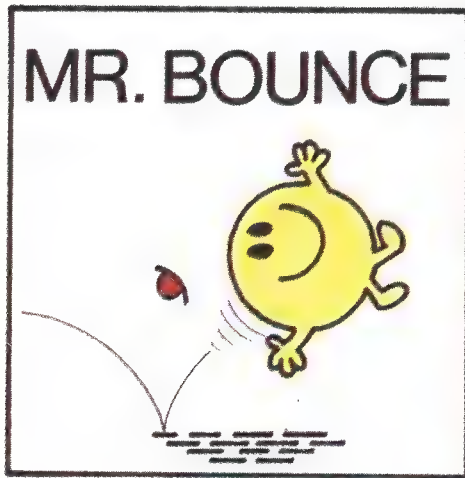
7. When he saw Mr. Robinson, who was cutting his grass, Mr. Small told him about his house.



8. So Mr. Robinson, cutting the grass, gave Mr. Small a ride. "I can see my house now," said Mr. Small.



9. Now Mr. Robinson always cuts the grass round Mr. Small's house when he mows his lawn!



1. Mr. Bounce is bouncing off to visit his friend Mr. Small. He bounced out of his house.



2. Bounce, bounce, bounce he went, down his front steps. And look where Mr. Bounce bounced!



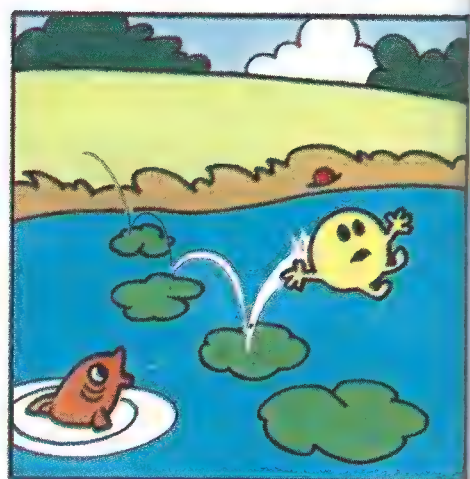
3. He landed in a big puddle! "Oh, now I've had two baths today," sighed Mr. Bounce.



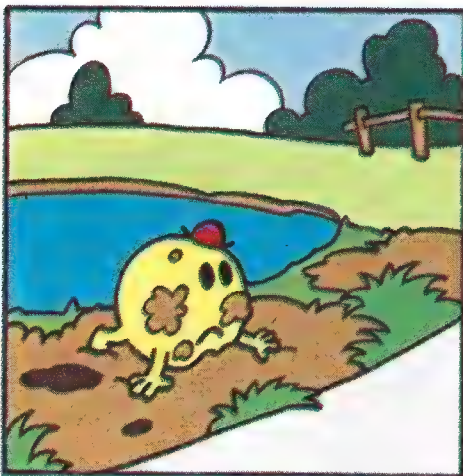
4. "I'll climb over that wall," said Mr. Bounce. But when he got to the top, he fell and bounced.



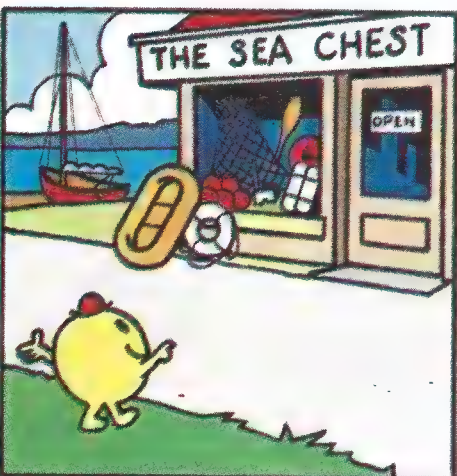
5. And look where he landed then. On a cow's head, clinging to a horn. He soon bounced away!



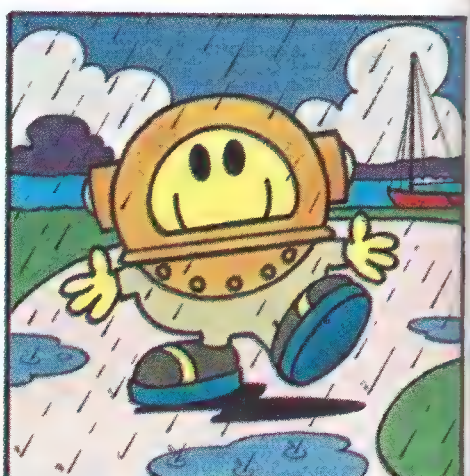
6. From lily leaf to lily leaf he bounced, to cross a pond. But he didn't have a happy landing!



7. He landed in some mud and got very muddy! "I'll never reach Mr. Small's house," he sighed.

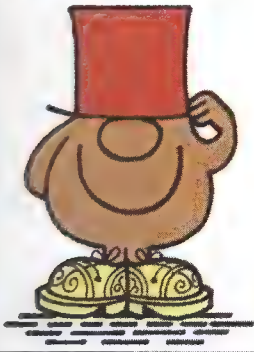


8. But he saw a shop where things for the sea were sold. "I know what I need," said Mr. Bounce.



9. A heavy diving suit stopped him bouncing! And he kept dry on his way to Mr. Small's house.

MR. SILLY



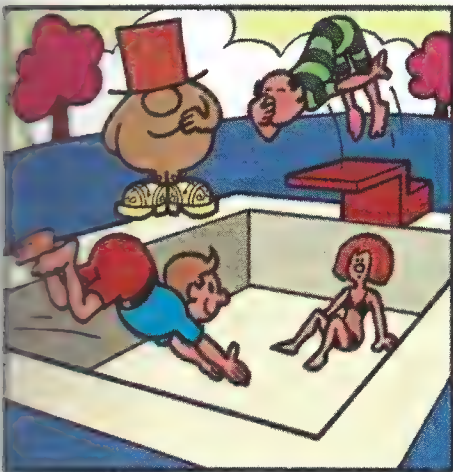
1. Here is Mr. Silly, who lives in Nonsenseland where everything and everyone is silly!



2. Even the grass is blue and the sky is green. And just look! The cats wear top hats!



3. It was Nonsense Cup Day, and Mr. Silly, thinking of a silly thing to do, wanted to win.



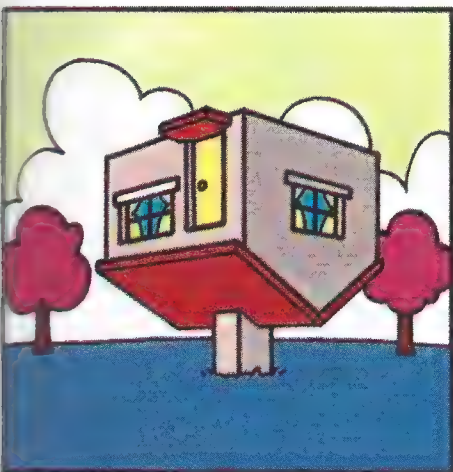
4. He went out to think, and saw folk having fun diving into an empty swimming pool.



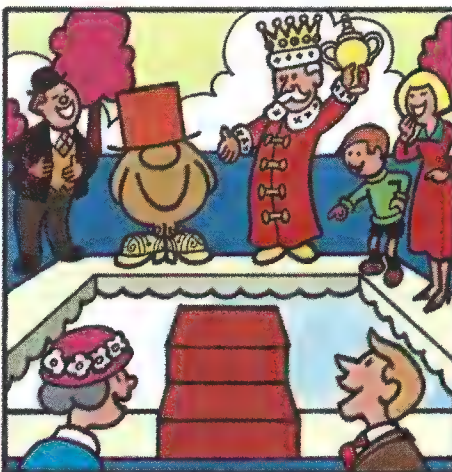
5. Late that night, Mr. Silly had the silliest idea. He went to and fro with buckets of water!



6. The next day, "I will now present the cup for the silliest idea of the year," said the King.



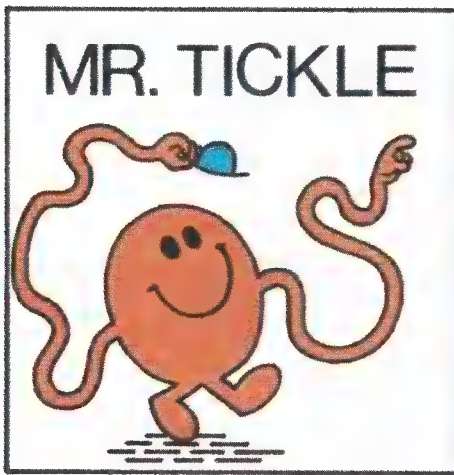
7. Mr. Ridiculous thought his upside-down house had won the cup. It was a very silly idea.



8. But Mr. Silly's idea was the silliest. He had filled the swimming pool with water!



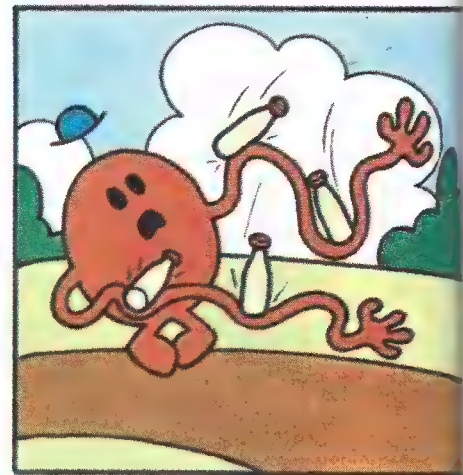
9. So Mr. Silly won and folk had fun in the pool — with their clothes on! How silly!



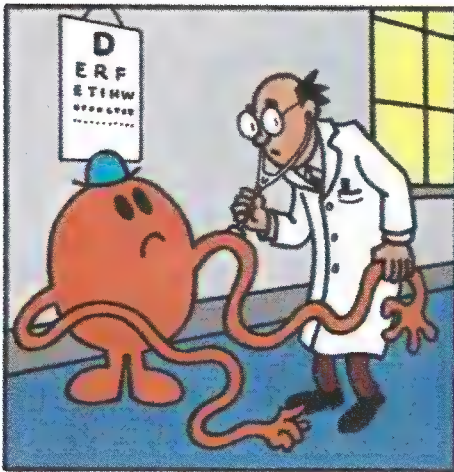
1. "Ho, ho, a-tickling I will go," said happy Mr. Tickle, early one bright, sunny morning.



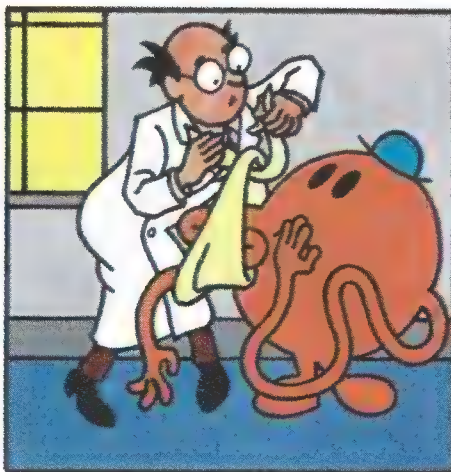
2. Well, he tickled Fred, the milkman, and made him jump. And Fred's bottles of milk jumped!



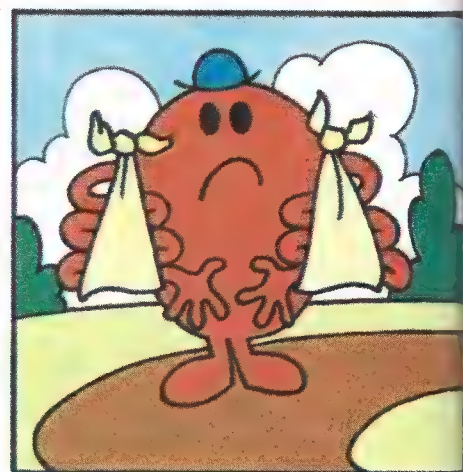
3. The bottles flew through the air and hit Mr. Tickle's arms. "Oh, I'm hurt," he cried.



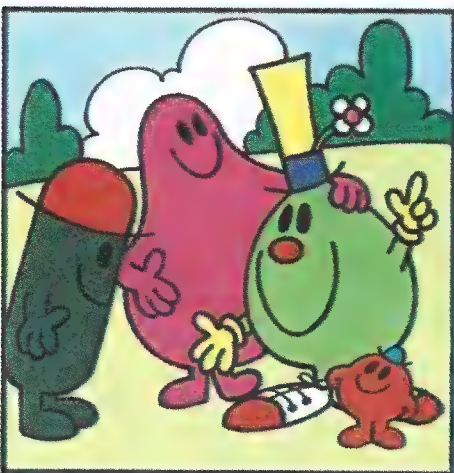
4. So Mr. Tickle went to a doctor. "H'm, you must rest these long arms, Mr. Tickle," he said.



5. Poor Mr. Tickle! The doctor said he must have his arms in slings for a whole day!



6. "This is no fun," sighed Mr. Tickle, on his way home. "I can't tickle anyone for a day!"



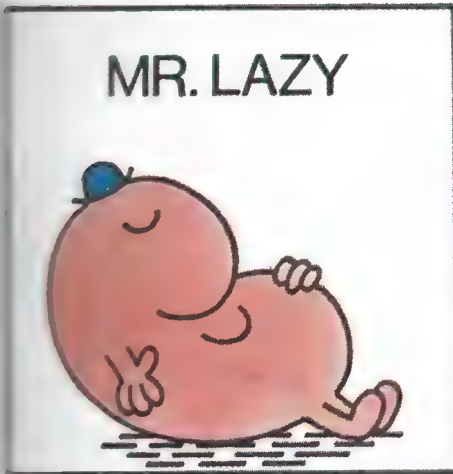
7. Some Mr. Men felt sorry for Mr. Tickle. "Let's buy him something funny," said Mr. Funny.



8. Soon, Mr. Muddle gave Mr. Tickle a present. "It will make you happy, Mr. Tickle," he said.



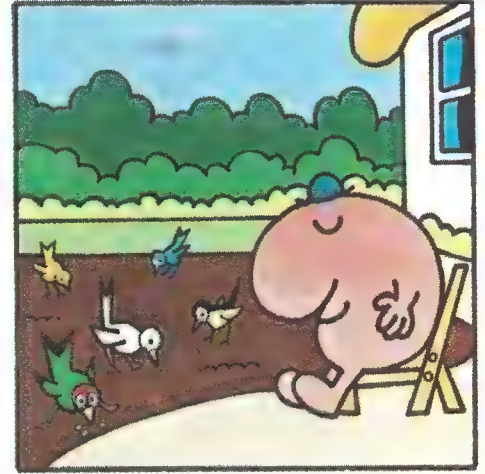
9. It was a blow-feather tickler! So Mr. Tickle had tickling fun tickling his Mr. Men friends!



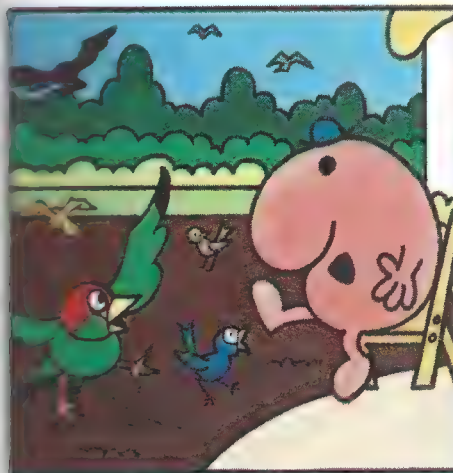
1. Here is Mr. Lazy, asleep as usual! But he must wake up soon. He has a job to do in his garden.



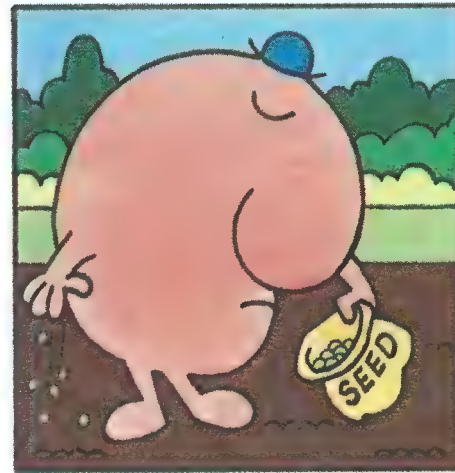
2. Now, here is Mr. Lazy awake, throwing down grass seed to make a lawn. He soon felt tired!



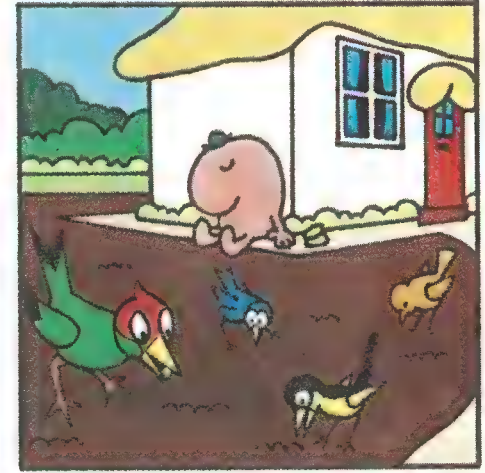
3. Mr. Lazy sat on a chair and went to sleep again. And while he slept, birds ate his seed.



4. When Mr. Lazy woke up and saw those birds, he was cross. "Shoo!" he shouted, scaring the birds.



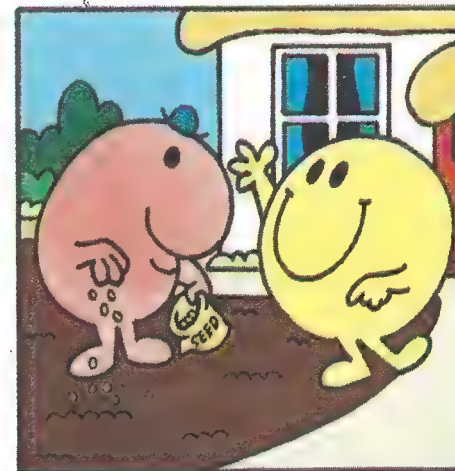
5. "Now I must put down some more seed," sighed Mr. Lazy. And that made him sleepy again!



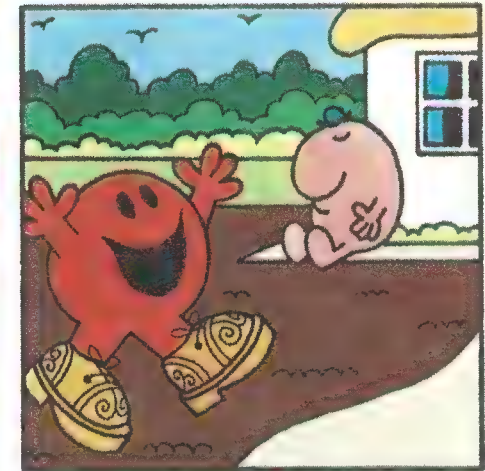
6. So Mr. Lazy went to sleep. And while he slept, the birds came back to eat more grass seed!



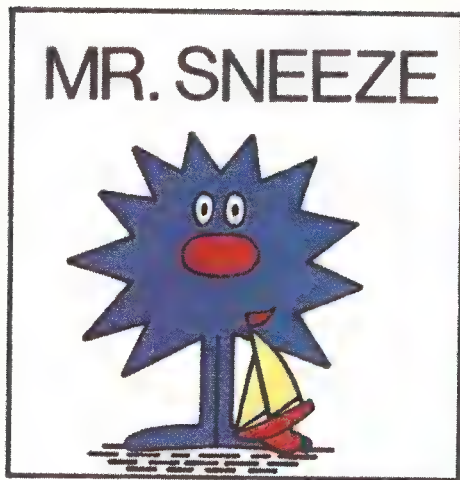
7. They ate all the seed by the time Mr. Lazy woke up. "Oh! What shall I do?" said Mr. Lazy.



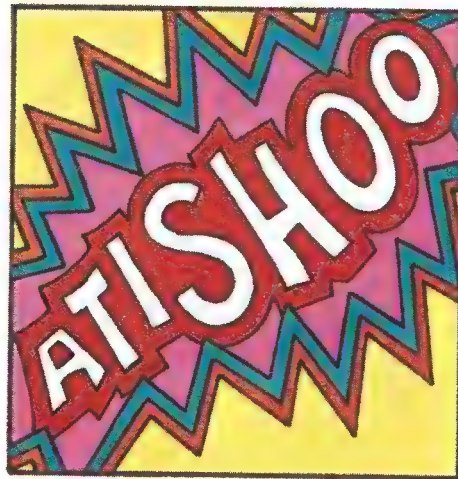
8. He asked Mr. Happy, who had an idea. "I will ask Mr. Noisy to come and help you," he said.



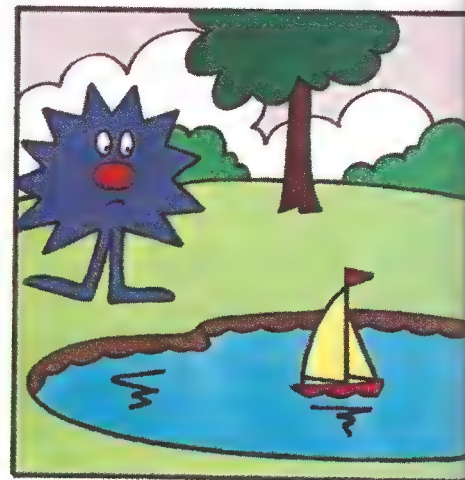
9. Mr. Noisy scared the birds away, and they never came back! So Mr. Lazy got his lawn to grow!



1. Mr. Sneeze had a boat to sail on the park pond. But there was no wind to make the boat sail!



2. That did not worry Mr. Sneeze. He sneezed – ATISHOO! And the boat sailed nicely – for a while!



3. The boat stopped in the middle of the pond. Mr. Sneeze was sad, until a friend came along!



4. It was Mr. Silly. He was silly! To reach the boat he climbed on to a branch, which bent!



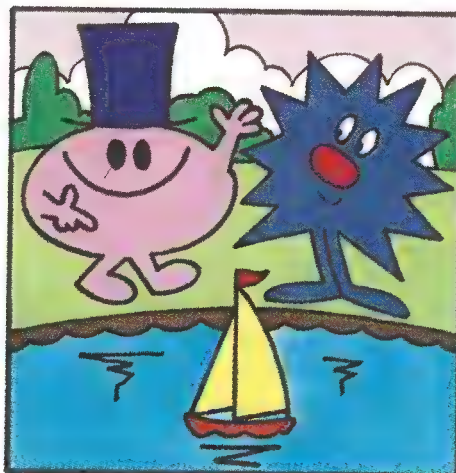
5. Then the branch snapped, and Mr. Silly fell into the pond and got wet. He quickly got out!



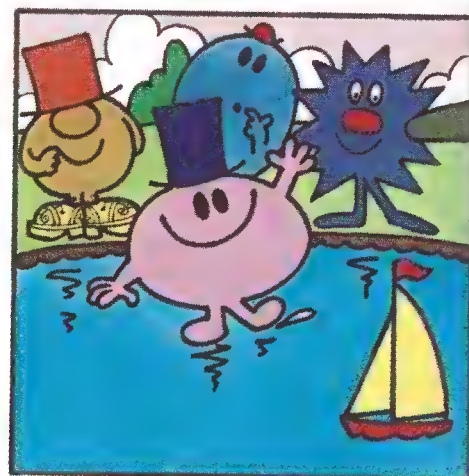
6. "I'll soon get your boat, Mr. Sneeze," said Mr. Nosey. But his long nose wasn't long enough!



7. And Mr. Forgetful, who was asked to help, forgot what he was asked to do! He is forgetful!

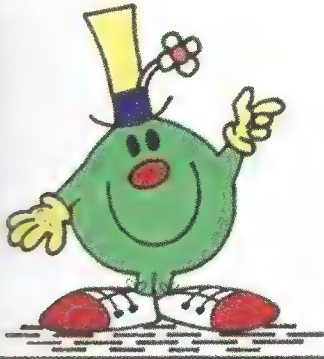


8. Then another Mr. Man said he would help. And look! He walked over the water to the boat!

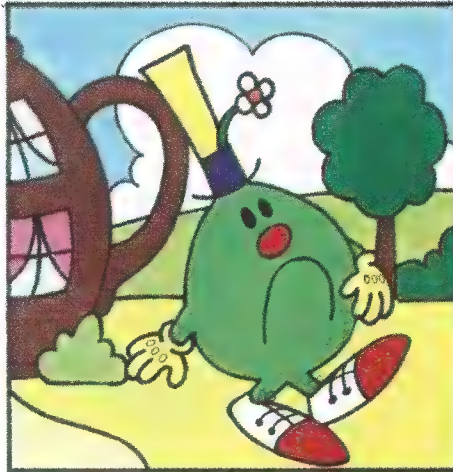


9. "Impossible!" everyone said. "No, it's not! Because I am Mr. Impossible!" smiled the Mr. Man.

MR. FUNNY



1. "I'll go for a walk," said Mr. Funny. "I'm sure to see something that will make me laugh."



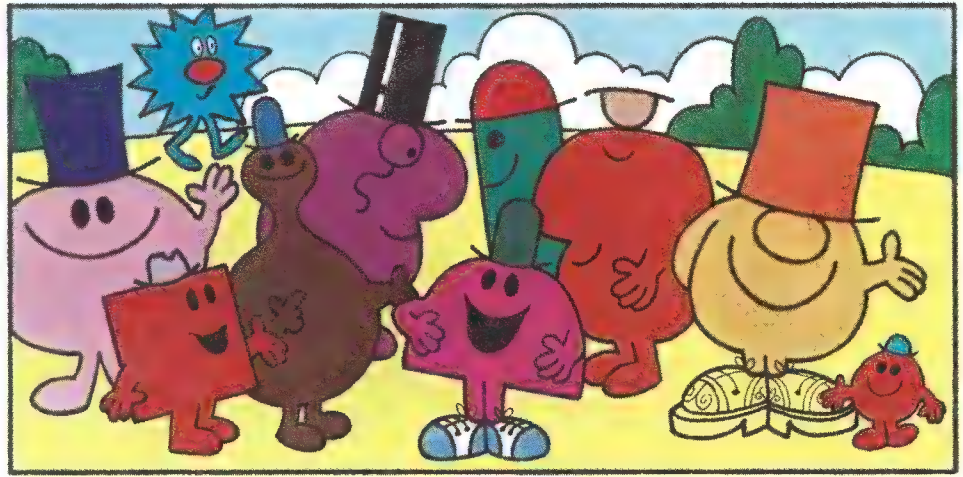
2. But Mr. Funny soon looked sad. He walked and walked, and saw nothing to make him laugh.



3. Mr. Tickle tickled him to make him laugh, but it was no use. Mr. Funny still looked sad!



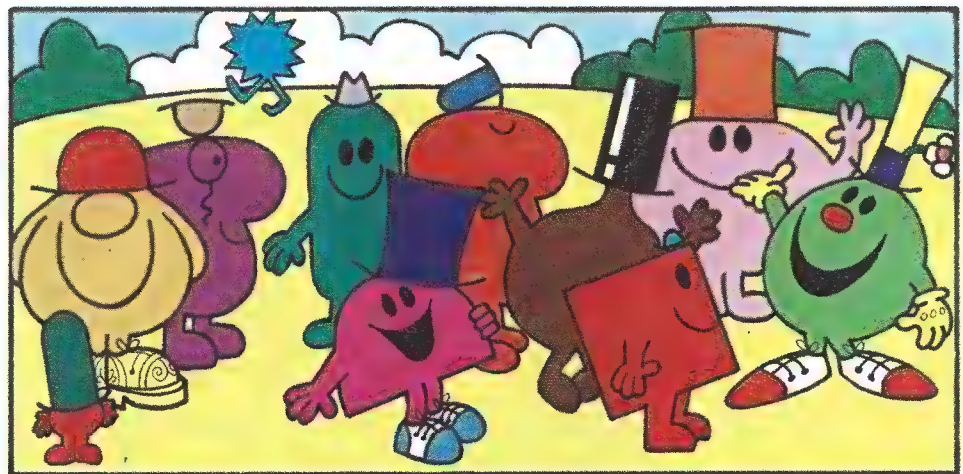
4. "This will make you laugh," said Mr. Bump, bumping into a lamppost. But it didn't!



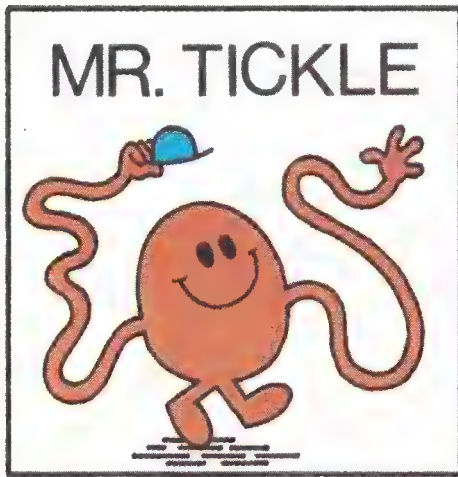
5. Then lots of other jolly Mr. Men, wearing their hats, talked and talked, wondering how they could cheer up Mr. Funny. "We must do something funny," said Mr. Dizzy, as Mr. Sneez came along.



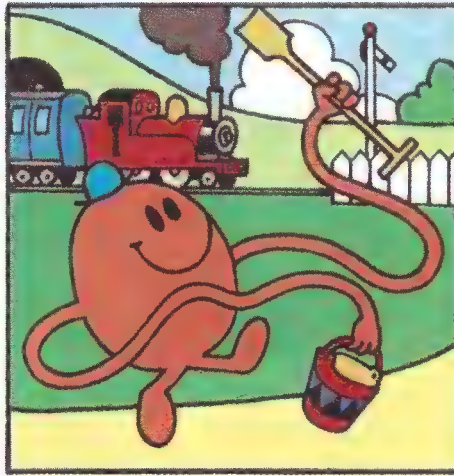
6. And Mr. Sneez did the right thing! He SNEEZED! And blew all the Mr. Men's hats off!



7. Mr. Funny laughed when he saw the Mr. Men wearing each other's hats! "You do look funny!" he said. Now join in the fun by looking at picture 5, and saying which Mr. Man's hat each Mr. Man is wearing!



1. Here is Mr. Tickle, on a warm, sunny morning. He is going to the seaside for the day!



2. On his way to the station, with his bucket and spade, he saw nobody to tickle – for fun!



3. But he tickled the train guard, who swallowed his whistle! The train left late. Folk were cross!



4. On the train, Mr. Tickle tickled a waiter. He upset some food, and was upset. Naughty Mr. Tickle!



5. At the seaside, Mr. Tickle tickled a man selling balloons. Balloons flew everywhere!



6. A man selling toffee apples wasn't tickled when he was tickled! His apples were sticky!



7. Then a man whose legs were tickled, cried: "A CRAB!" And he ran fast out of the water!



8. Mr. Tickle is raising his hat to you now, Readers! "I hope you all have a happy holiday," he says.

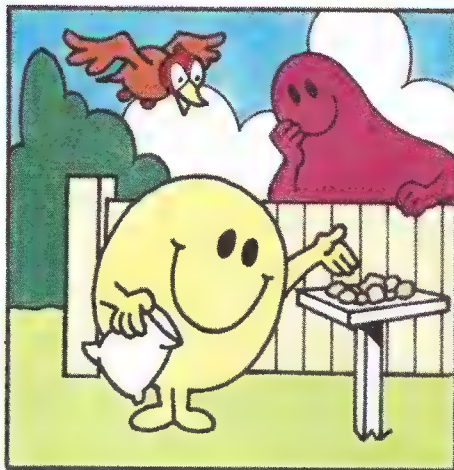


9. But do look out for Mr. Tickle, girls and boys! He could be where you're going – and tickle YOU!

MR. GREEDY



1. Here is Mr. Greedy, who just can't help being greedy. He likes nothing better than eating!



2. When Mr. Greedy saw Mr. Happy putting food on a bird-table, he thought: "Yum-yum! Some food!"



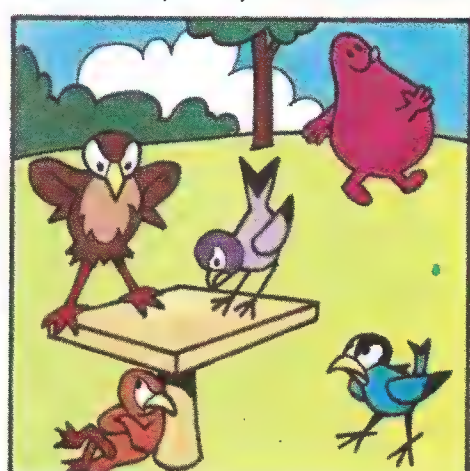
3. Mr. Greedy did not know the food was for the birds, so he ate all of it. "Very, very nice!" he said.



4. But the birds were very, very cross. All they were left with was a bare bird-table!



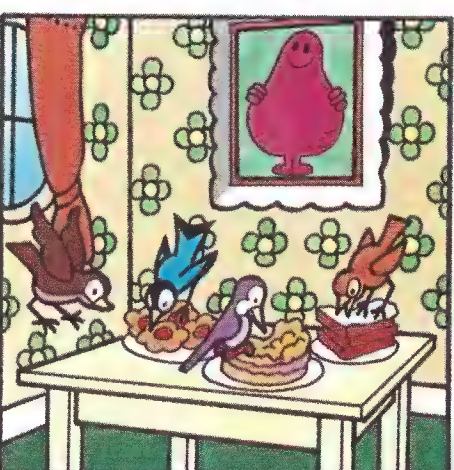
5. Then Mr. Greedy saw Mr. Bump putting out food for the birds. "Another feed for me," he thought.



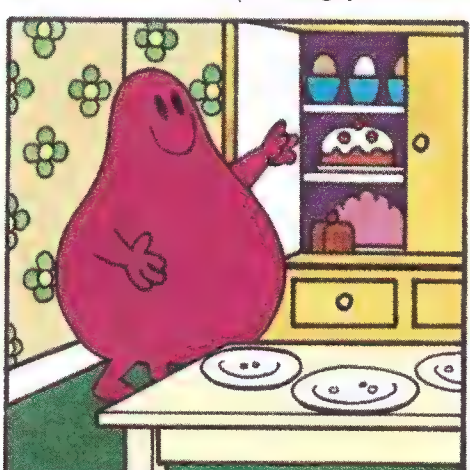
6. So Mr. Greedy ate all the birds' food, and went off licking his lips. The birds were angry!



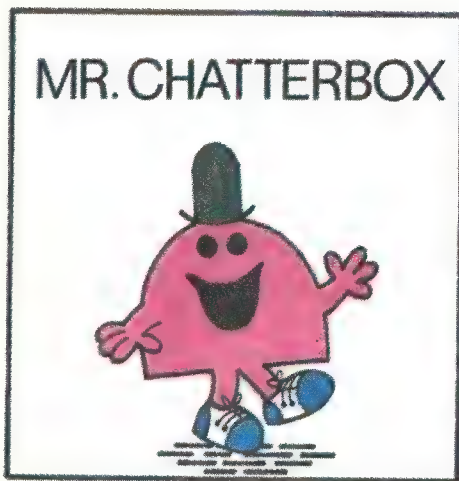
7. "It's time we taught Mr. Greedy a lesson," said one bird. And they flew off to Mr. Greedy's house.



8. The birds ate the tea Mr. Greedy had laid. And when Mr. Greedy arrived, the birds had gone, too!



9. "Oh, I forgot to put out my tea," said Mr. Greedy. And look! He had lots more in his cupboard!



1. Mr. Chatterbox talks to anyone, everybody, about anything at all. He just loves to chatter!



2. Now, Mr. Chatterbox, going shopping, saw that his shopping basket was full of holes.



3. "I know what to do," said Mr. Chatterbox. And he took his magic hat out of a hat-box.



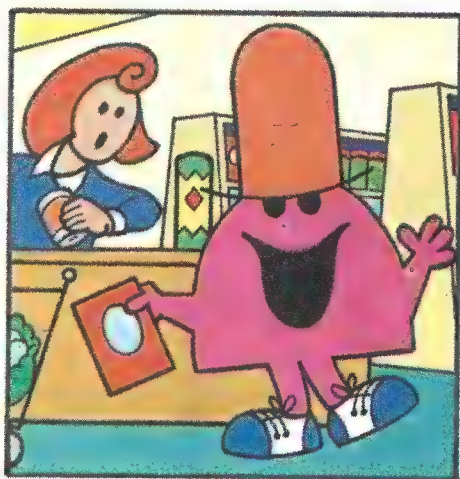
4. Wearing his magic hat in town, he surprised folk because he didn't stop to chatter to them.



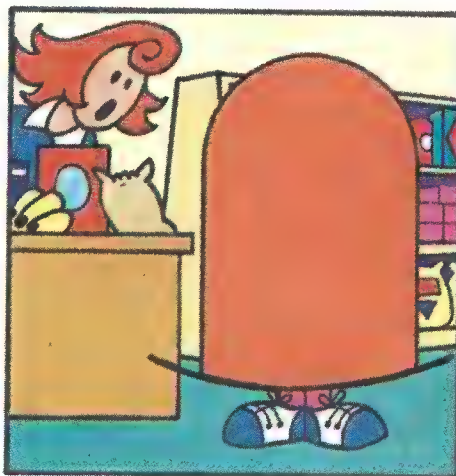
5. At the stores, where Mr. Chatterbox filled his trolley, he still didn't say a word.



6. Then, at the pay-out desk, a lady said: "Where's your basket, Mr. Chatterbox? You need it."



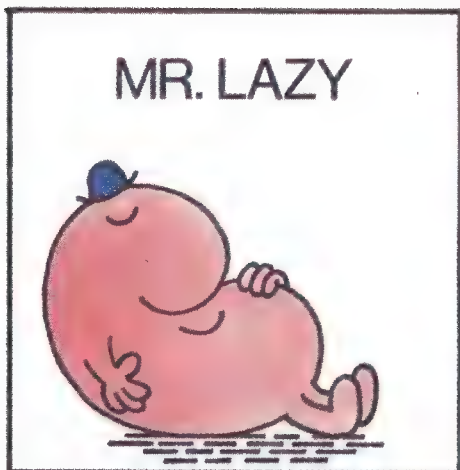
7. And Mr. Chatterbox talked — about a holiday he had had! And as he talked, his hat grew.



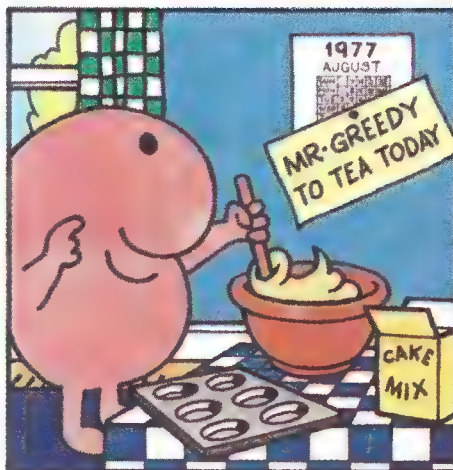
8. Soon, the magic hat had grown right over Mr. Chatterbox, and he was so pleased — under his hat!



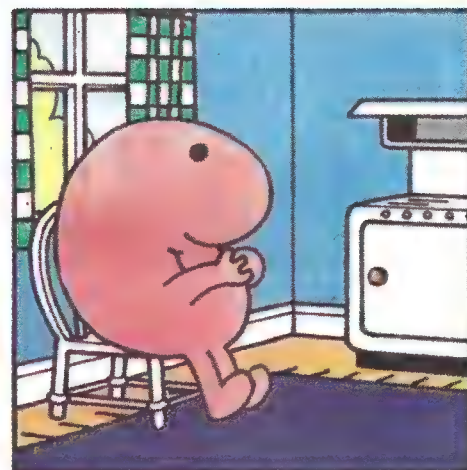
9. "I have a hat-basket now," said Mr. Chatterbox. And he filled his hat and went home so happy!



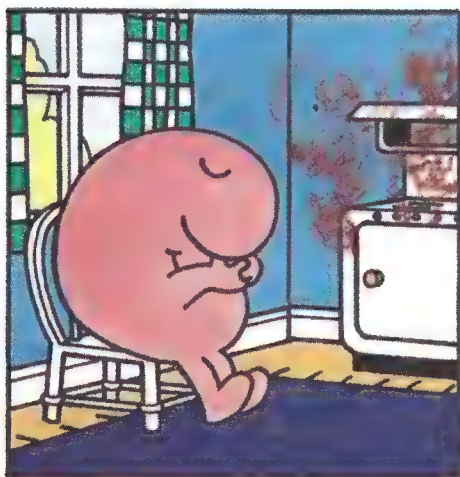
1. Here is Mr. Lazy, having a long, long sleep in the afternoon. He is too lazy to wake up!



2. When Mr. Lazy did wake up, he saw that notice. He quickly mixed some cake-mix to make cakes.



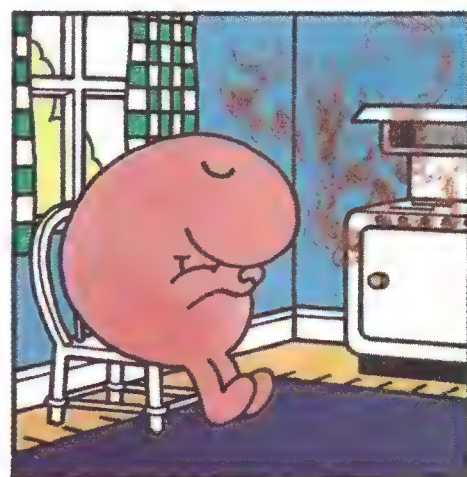
3. "Now I'll sit down and rest while the cakes are baking," smiled Mr. Lazy. "Mixing is tiring!"



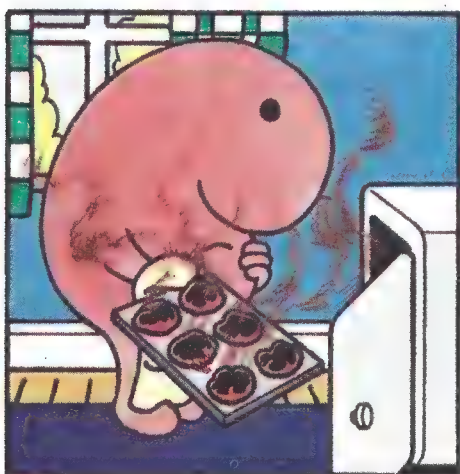
4. Of course, Mr. Lazy was soon fast asleep again. And as he slept, his cakes began to burn!



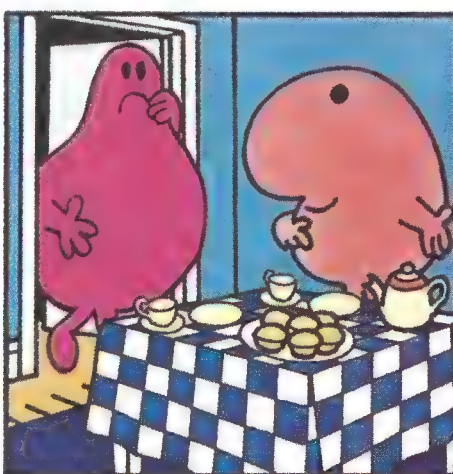
5. When Mr. Lazy woke up, he found his cakes really burnt. "I'll have to make more," he sighed.



6. With the new cakes in the oven, Mr. Lazy could only do one thing! He slept! His cakes burnt!



7. "Oh dear," sighed Mr. Lazy. "Now I must make some more. And I haven't much cake-mix left."

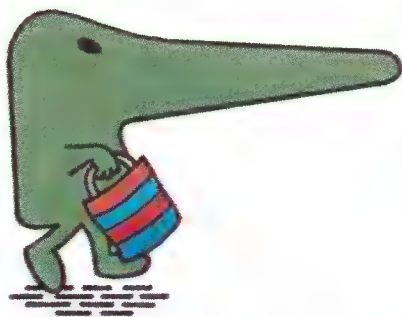


8. Soon, Mr. Greedy arrived for tea, and Mr. Lazy had baked some cakes they could share — and eat!



9. And while Mr. Lazy slept, Mr. Greedy ate the burnt cakes. It's quantity he likes, *not* quality!

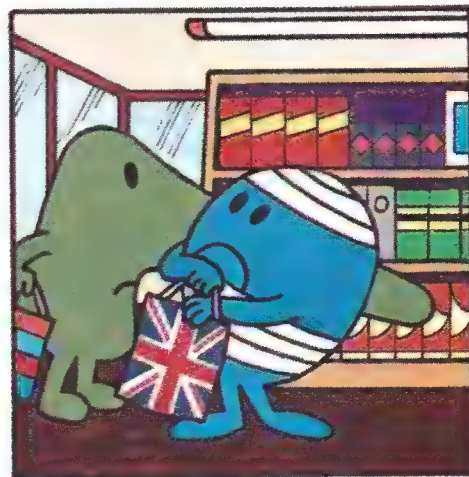
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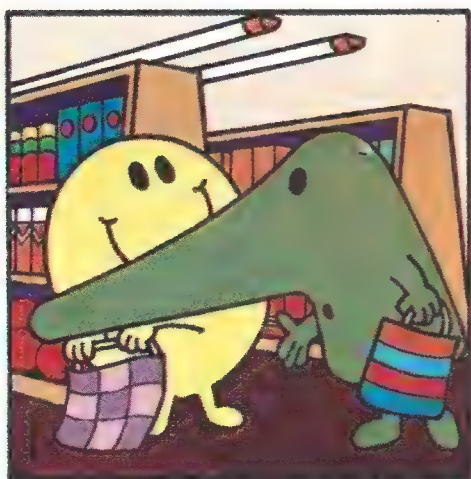
1. Mr. Nosey, who has a very long nose, is going to town to do some shopping — and be nosey!



2. At the supermarket he saw Mr. Bump. "I wonder what he has got in his bag?" thought Mr. Nosey.



3. When he went to look inside Mr. Bump's bag, Mr. Bump cried: "Go away, Nosey! Don't be nosey!"



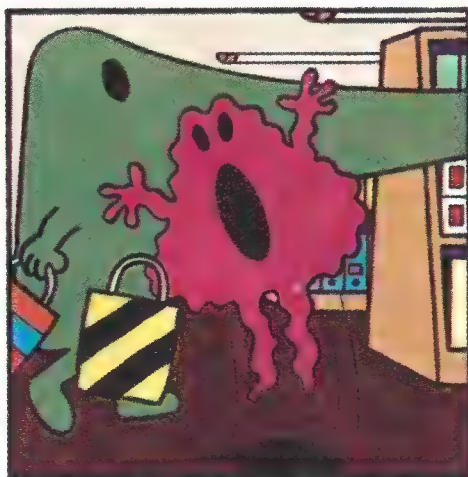
4. Then Mr. Nosey saw Mr. Happy. "He won't mind me looking in his bag," thought Mr. Nosey.



5. But Mr. Happy did mind! "Oh, no! You're not looking inside my bag!" laughed Mr. Happy.



6. Now, Mr. Jelly was in the store, and when Mr. Nosey went to look inside his bag, he was scared.



7. Mr. Jelly leapt into the air and cried: "HELP! HELP! POLICE!" And a policeman soon came.

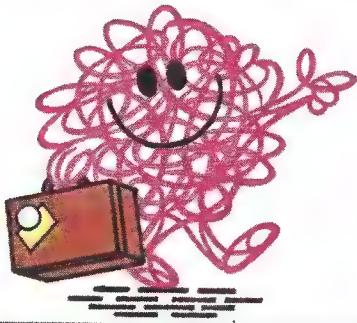


8. "So! You've been peeping in other folks' bags," said P.C. Blue. "For that, you can carry them all."



9. Carrying the bags on his nose, Mr. Nosey could see inside them. But he won't go bag-peeping again!

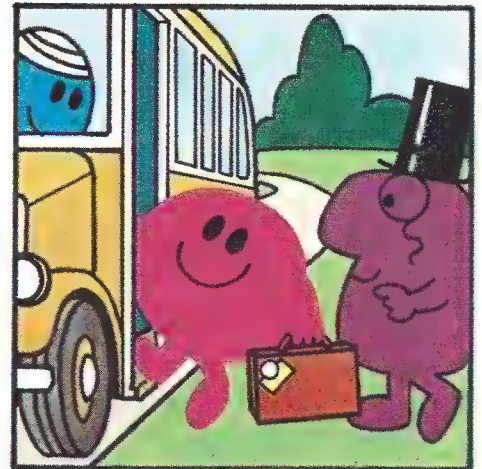
MR. MESSY



1. Mr. Messy is going on holiday. His suitcase looks tidy, but he looks very, very messy!



2. "Smarten yourself up before you come on the coach, Mr. Messy," said some smart Mr. Men.



3. So Mr. Messy went away, washed himself, and came back tidy. His friends were pleased.



4. But Mr. Messy wasn't happy. At the seaside, he wished he could be messy — and happy!



5. Then, as Mr. Messy sat on a rock, a big wave came rolling in and carried him away. Poor Mr. Messy!



6. "Put me down, you rough wave," cried Mr. Messy, as he was tossed about, his arms and legs waving.



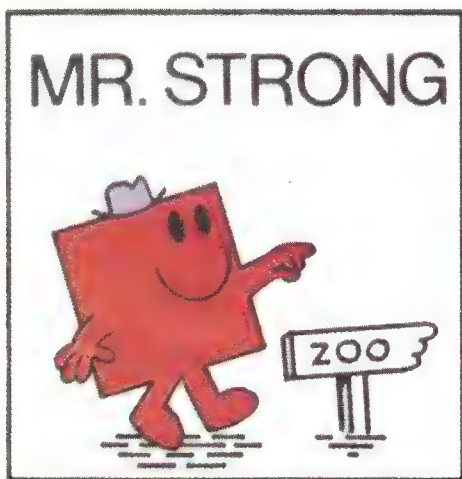
7. Well, when that wave dropped Mr. Messy into the sea, another rolled up and bounced him about.



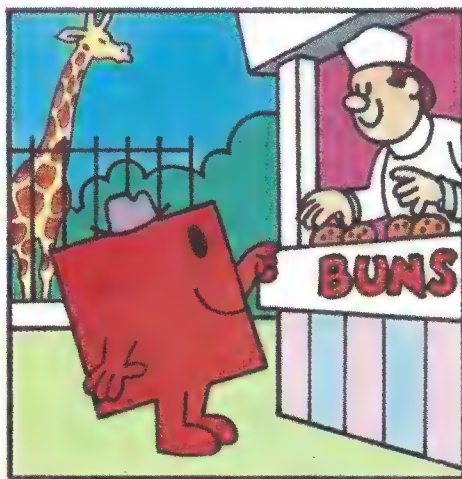
8. But that wave was a bigger one, and it threw Mr. Messy on to the beach. He was happy!



9. The waves made Mr. Messy messy, as he liked to be! "I like the seaside now," smiled Mr. Messy.



1. Mr. Strong is strong because he eats lots and lots of eggs. Here he is, going to a zoo.



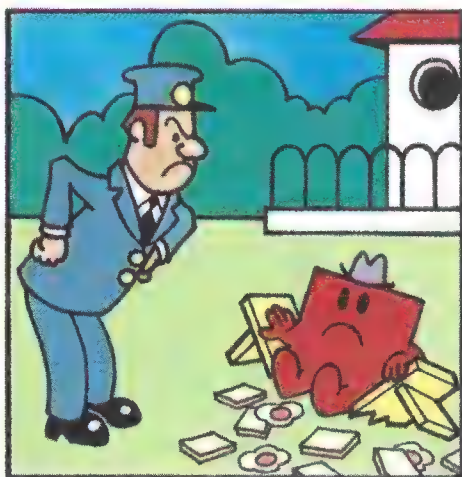
2. "Some buns, please," said Mr. Strong. Then he went to feed a bear. But look! He didn't!



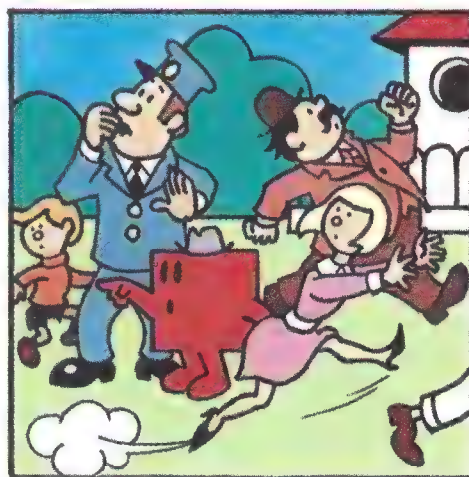
3. Strong Mr. Strong threw the bun over the bear's head! And it made a hole in a keeper's roof!



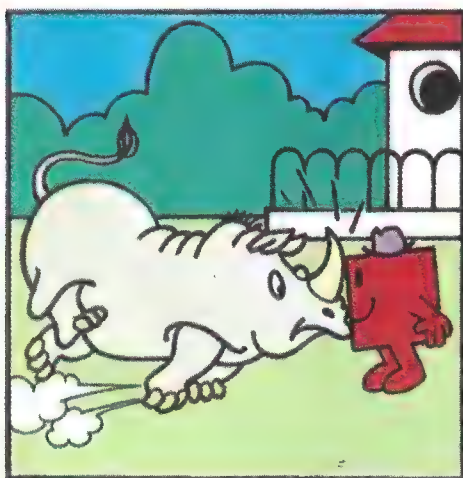
4. Next, Mr. Strong went to look at some birds. But on his way, he bumped an elephant over!



5. Poor Mr. Strong! When he sat down to have lunch, he broke the seat. The keeper was cross!



6. "You must leave the zoo, Mr. Strong," he said. But someone cried: "Help! A rhino's escaped!"



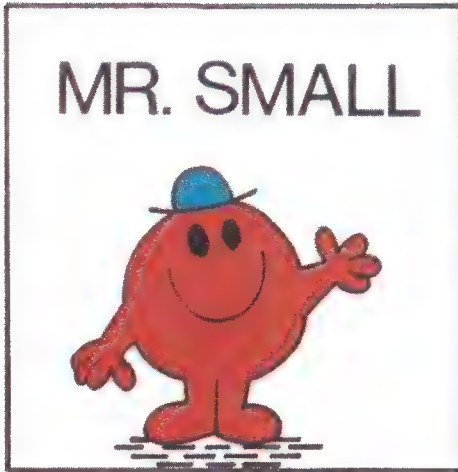
7. Everyone ran except Mr. Strong! The charging rhinoceros bumped into him — BANG! Poor rhino!



8. Mr. Strong wasn't hurt, but the rhino felt dizzy! And folk came and cheered Mr. Strong!



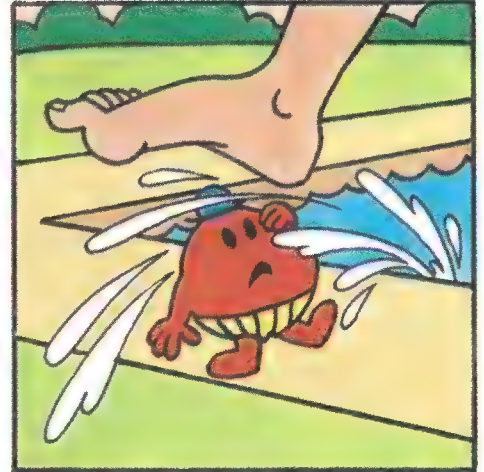
9. And when the rhino was taken away, the keeper bought Mr. Strong a huge plate of eggs. He was happy!



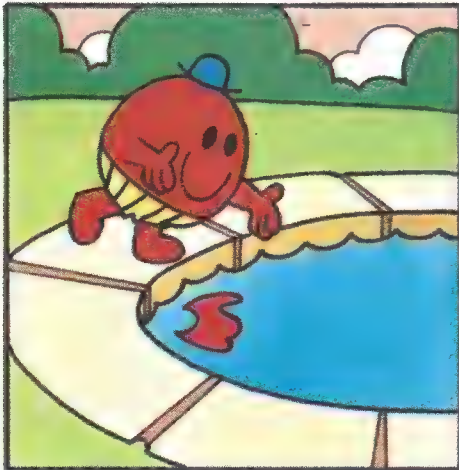
1. Here is Mr. Small, who lives in a tiny house in his friend Mr. Robinson's garden.



2. When Mr. Small saw a swimming pool notice, he thought: "I'll go swimming. It does look fun."



3. But at the pool, Mr. Small nearly got trodden on — and water splashed all over him!



4. "I'm not going in that big pool," said Mr. Small. Then, in a garden, he saw a small pool.



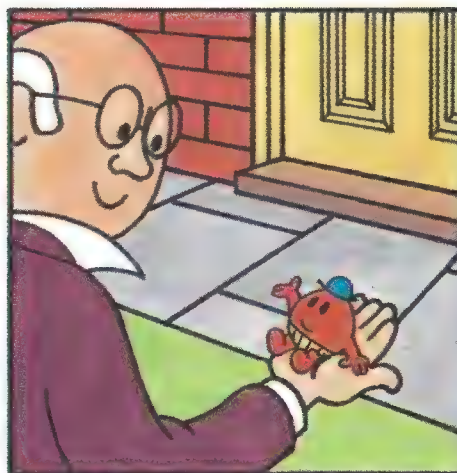
5. "Just my size," said Mr. Small, and he leapt into the water. But oh! A fish nibbled his foot!



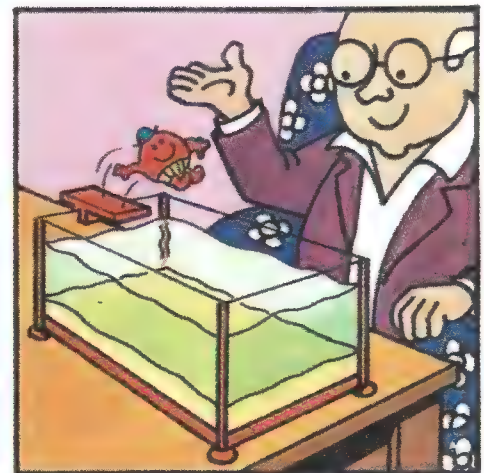
6. "Help! Help! A fish wants to eat me!" cried Mr. Small, as he leapt out of the pool.



7. Mr. Robinson heard Mr. Small shout. He had an idea when his tiny friend told him about the fish.

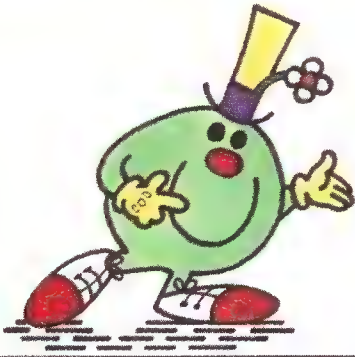


8. "I know where you can swim safely," said Mr. Robinson, taking Mr. Small to his house.



9. And soon Mr. Small had his own fish-tank pool! He loved bouncing off the tiny diving board!

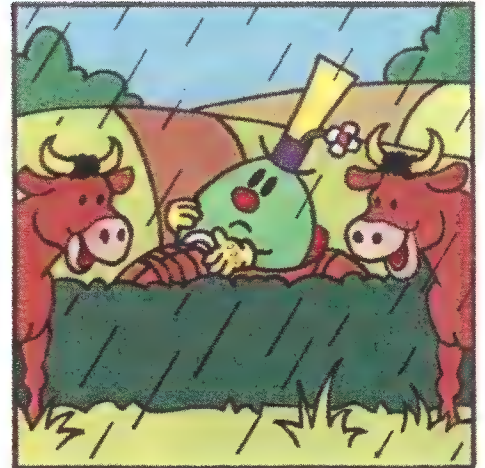
MR. FUNNY



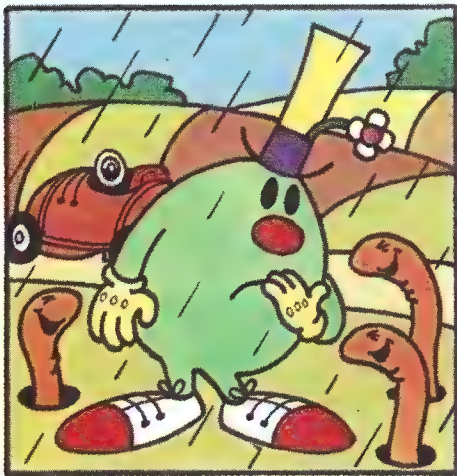
1. Mr. Funny, who lives in a teapot and has a car shaped like a shoe, is going for a drive.



2. It was raining. "Everyone must be feeling miserable," said Mr. Funny. "But I'll cheer them up."



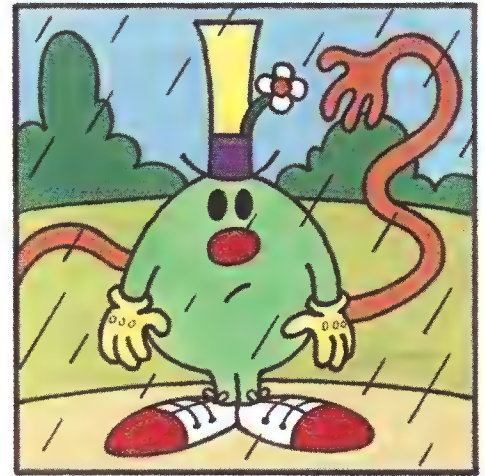
3. But some cows in a field were laughing, although they were wet. "Strange!" thought Mr. Funny.



4. And some worms, popping up from the ground, were laughing, too! "Very odd!" said Mr. Funny.



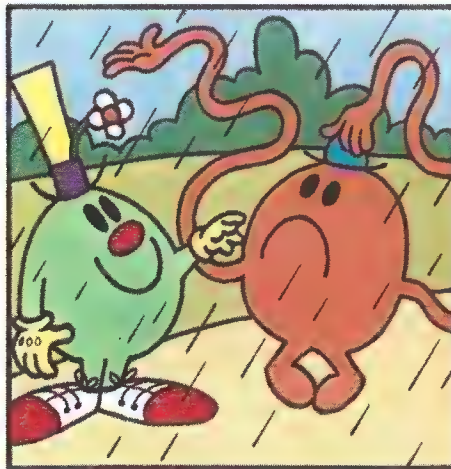
5. Then he saw some flowers, all swaying with laughter. And they made Mr. Funny feel sad!



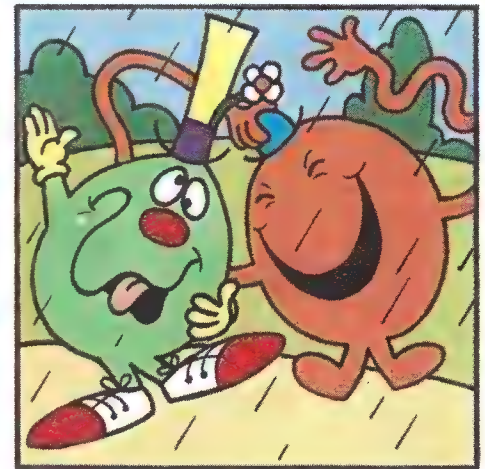
6. "Oh dear! There's no-one to make me laugh," sighed Mr. Funny. He didn't see the arm and hand!



7. But Mr. Funny felt the hand when he was tickled! "Stop it!" he cried, rocking with laughter.



8. So Mr. Tickle, who had made everyone laugh, stopped tickling. And that made him feel sad!



9. Now, Mr. Funny was happy. He made funny faces and made Mr. Tickle laugh. What jolly Mr. Men!



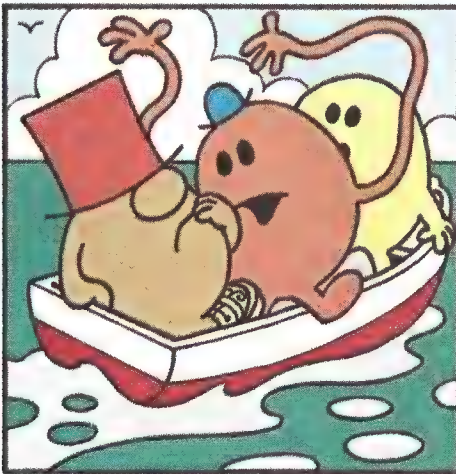
1. "I'll go boating at the sunny seaside today," said Mr. Silly, and off he went to have fun.



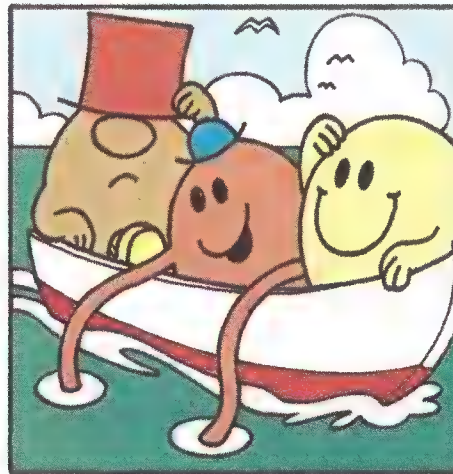
2. At the seaside, Mr. Silly hired a small boat. "Come for a trip," he called to two friends.



3. Mr. Tickle was tickled, and Mr. Happy was happy as Mr. Silly pushed them out in the boat.



4. But then, Mr. Tickle said: "We have no motor – or oars!" Silly Mr. Silly! He hadn't noticed that!



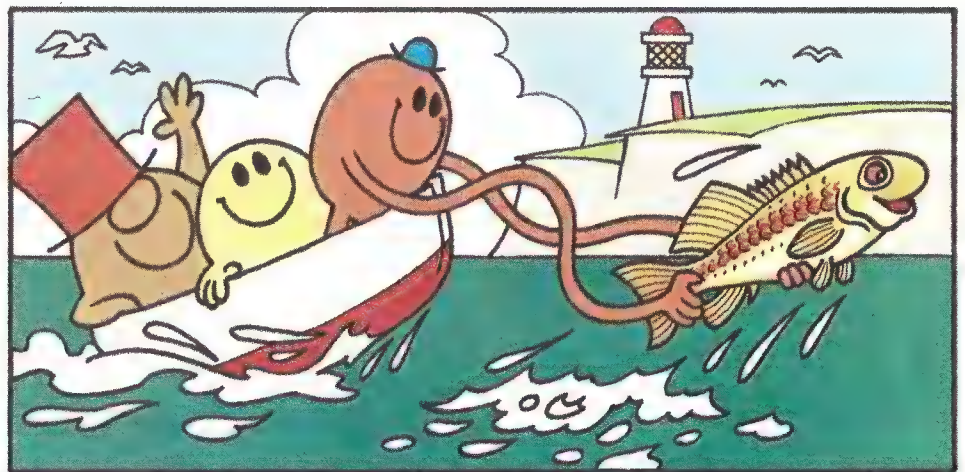
5. "We can't just sit and float," said Mr. Happy. So Mr. Tickle put his long arms in the water.



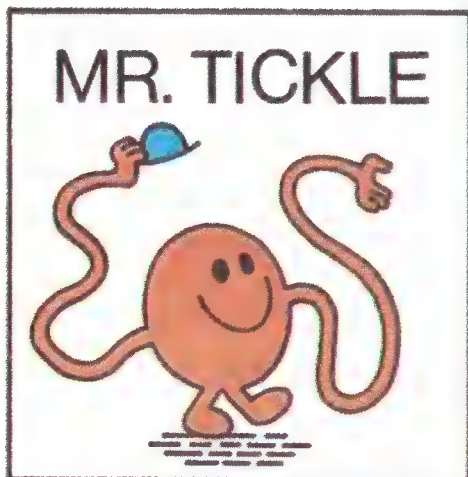
6. Under the water, Mr. Tickle moved his extraordinary long arms about, amongst lots of fish.



7. Then he found what he was feeling for – a big fish! "Hooray! I've caught one!" he cried.



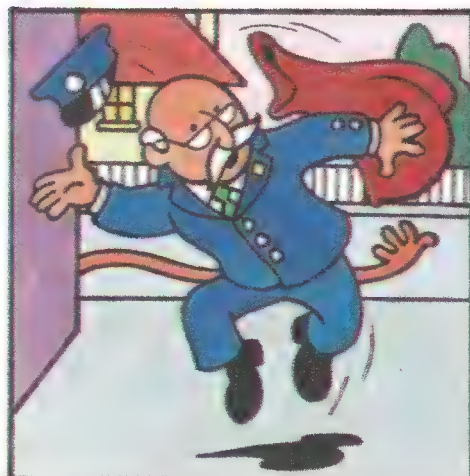
8. "Now we can go for a boat ride," smiled Mr. Tickle. And as he held on to the fish, it leapt in and out of the water and pulled the boat along. "Hey-ho! A-boating we all go!" cheered Mr. Silly.



1. "Hooray! It's Christmas time!" said Mr. Tickle. "I'll have some Christmas-time tickling fun!"



2. He saw Mr. Postman, whom he loves to tickle and watch his sack of letters fly about!



3. So when Mr. Tickle tickled, up went Mr. Postman — and his bag, too! Naughty Mr. Tickle!



4. But Mr. Tickle was upset! Mr. Postman's bag was empty. He was going to collect the mail!



5. Later, Mr. Tickle saw Mr. Postman again. He had forgotten his post-box keys!



6. "I'll help you," said Mr. Tickle. With his long arms, he soon emptied the post-box!



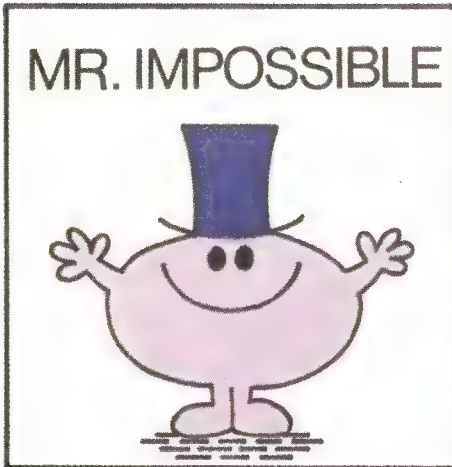
7. "Thank you, Mr. Tickle," said Mr. Postman, going off with his sack of Christmas mail.



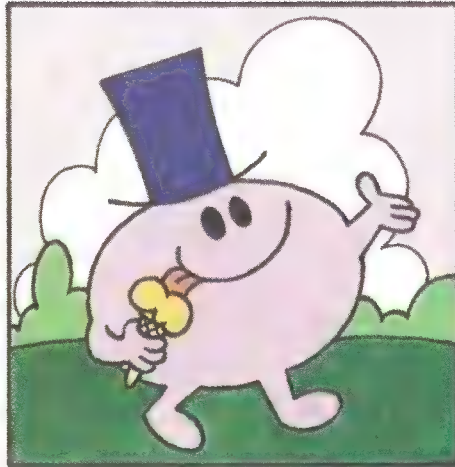
8. But as Mr. Postman reached the post office, a long, long arm reached out — and tickled him!



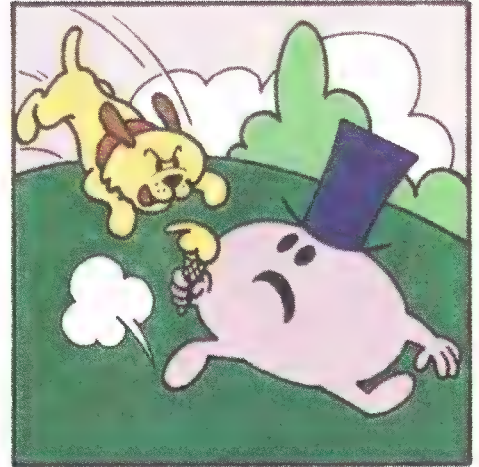
9. Up in the air went Mr. Postman — and his letters! *Naughty* Mr. Tickle! He's laughing!



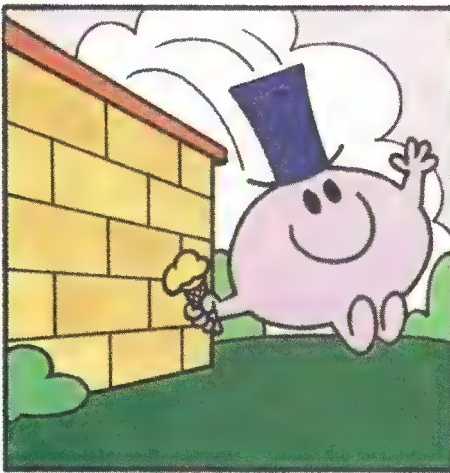
1. Here is Mr. Impossible. He is going out, and he is sure to do some most amazing things!



2. It was a hot, sunny day, so Mr. Impossible bought an ice-cream. That was nice, until. . .



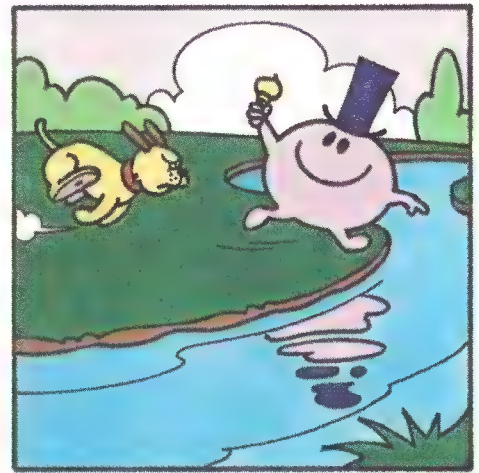
3. A fierce dog came along, and chased after Mr. Impossible for some of his ice-cream!



4. Then Mr. Impossible jumped over a wall as high as a house. "You won't catch me," he said.



5. But the dog dug under the wall. "Grr! Now I'll get some ice-cream!" he wuffed angrily.



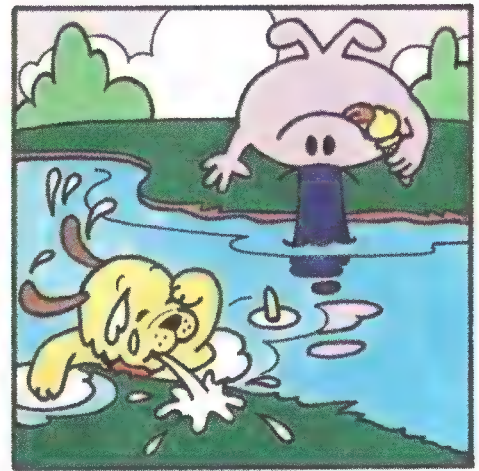
6. Mr. Impossible was still smiling, though, even when the dog chased him to a river!



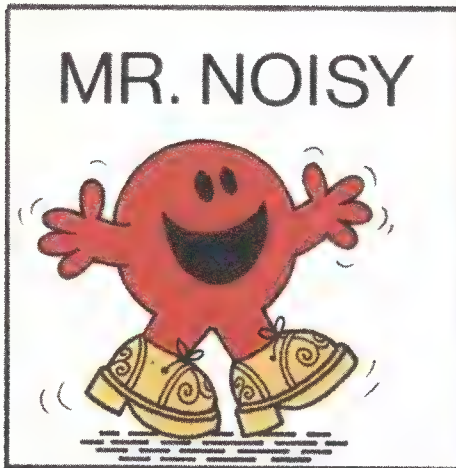
7. He did something *impossible*! He walked across the river! "You won't catch me!" he said again.



8. "If he can run across the river, I can, too," thought the dog. He jumped — and got wet!



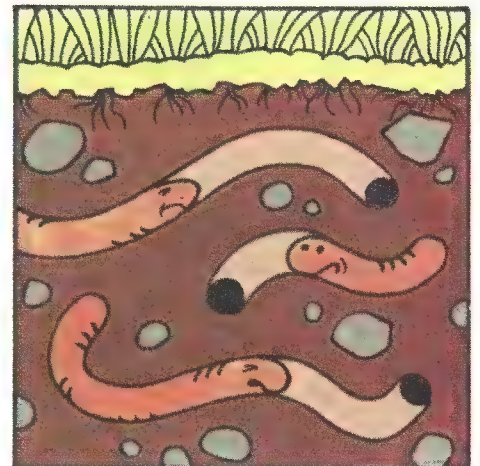
9. And as the dog climbed out, Mr. Impossible floated *upside-down* and ate his ice-cream!



1. This is Mr. Noisy. He is a very noisy person indeed. "My grass needs cutting," he shouted.



2. So he got his lawnmower and started. Clump, clump, clump, went Mr. Noisy. "La-la," went Mr. Noisy.



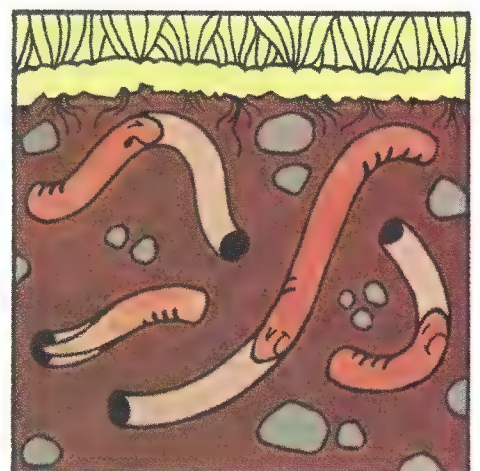
3. What a lot of noise he made. Below the ground the worms were trying to rest. But it was noisy.



4. "Can't you be quieter!" they grumbled. "You are giving us headaches." Mr. Noisy was sorry.



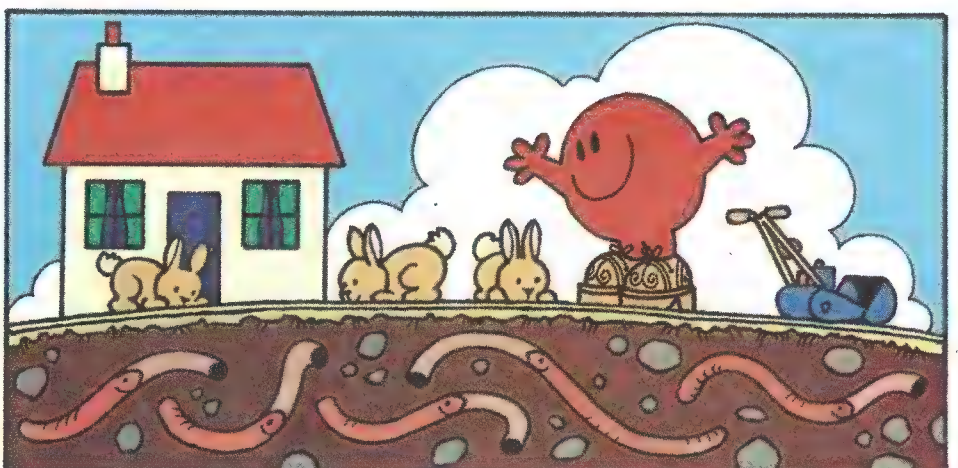
5. So he stopped singing and tiptoed across the lawn. Rumble, rumble, went Mr. Noisy's mower.



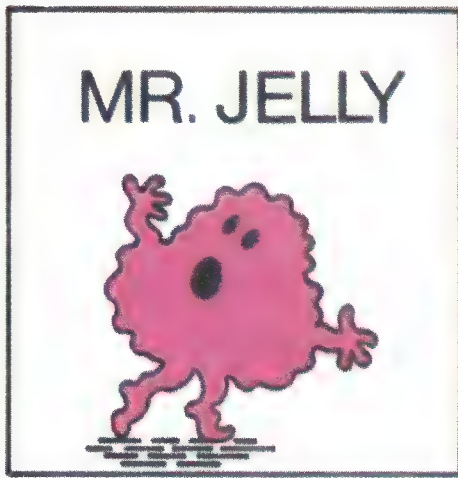
6. Rumble, brrr, rumble, rumble, it went. "More noise," sighed the worms. "Bother Mr. Noisy."



7. "Really, Mr. Noisy," said the worms. "You have a noisy mower." "The grass must be cut," he said.



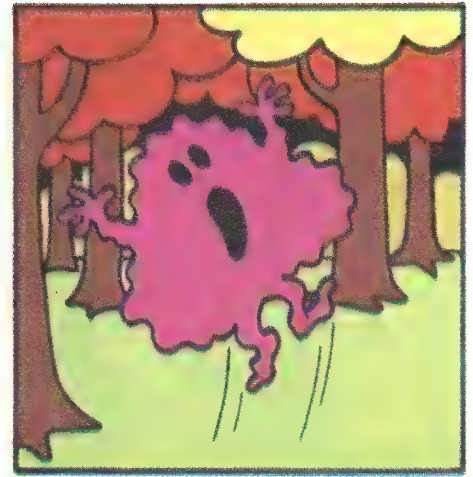
8. The worms knew Mr. Noisy was right. Then they had a splendid idea. They went and got their friends the rabbits. The rabbits nibbled the grass short — quietly! Mr. Noisy was pleased.



1. Here is Mr. Jelly, who is not very brave. When he is scared, he always wobbles just like a jelly!



2. Now, Mr. Jelly lives in a little house, deep in a wood where lots of woodland folk live.



3. In that wood, Mr. Jelly heard a noise. "What's that?" he gasped, almost jumping out of his skin.



4. The noise came from a little brown squirrel, busily munching an acorn it had unearthed.



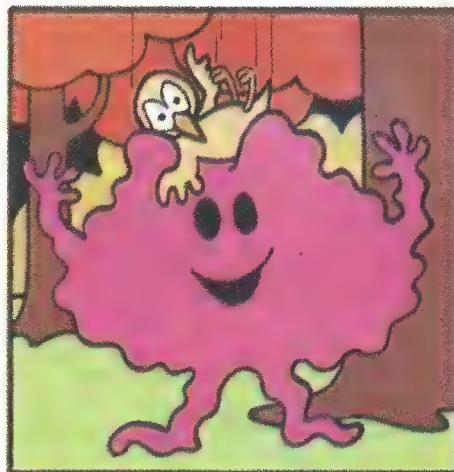
5. Then another noise made Mr. Jelly jump. This time, it was only a frog hopping happily by.



6. "Funny Mr. Jelly," laughed some woodland folk, as Mr. Jelly wobbled and shook with fright.



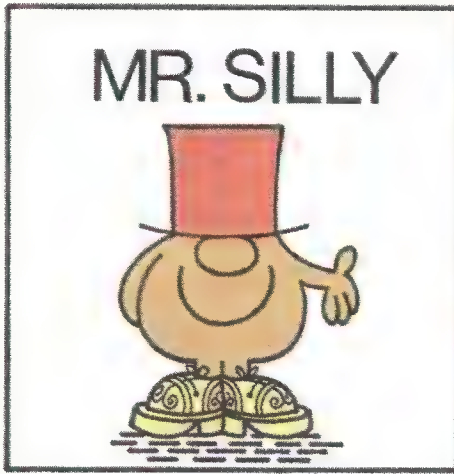
7. Then, suddenly, all those animals looked worried. A baby bird was falling from its nest!



8. But the bird had a happy landing — on soft Mr. Jelly! And that made everyone happy again.



9. Mrs. Bird kissed Mr. Jelly, and the animals said: "From now on we will call you brave Mr. Jelly!"



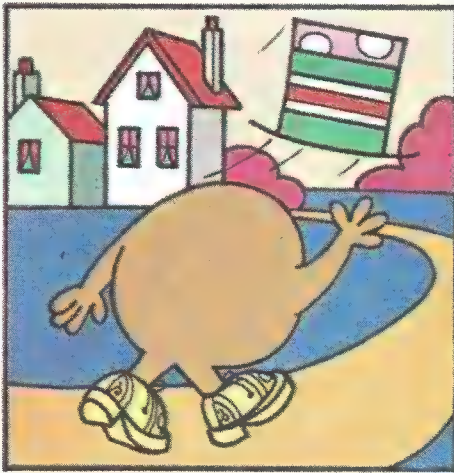
1. "I'm going to buy a new hat today," said Mr. Silly. Then off he went to Mr. Top's hat shop.



2. Mr. Silly tried on lots of hats. A colourful summer hat he liked best, so he bought it.



3. "I'm the smartest Mr. Man in town," smiled Mr. Silly, going off wearing his new hat.



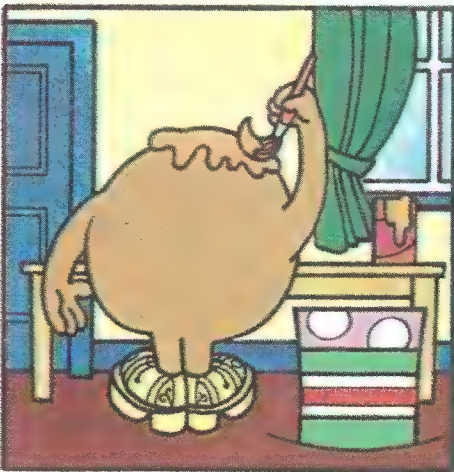
4. But oh dear! A strong wind blew his hat off, and he had to run fast to catch it.



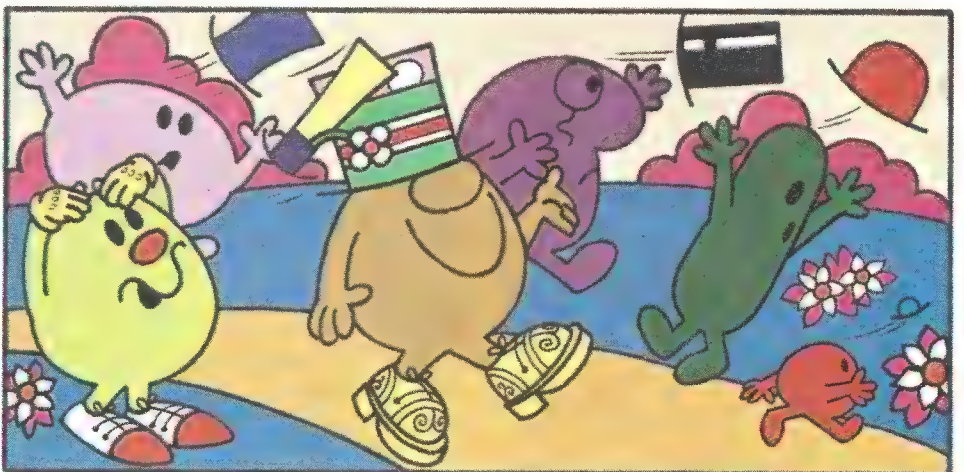
5. "I'll make sure I don't lose my hat again," said Mr. Silly, going to a shop that sold glue.



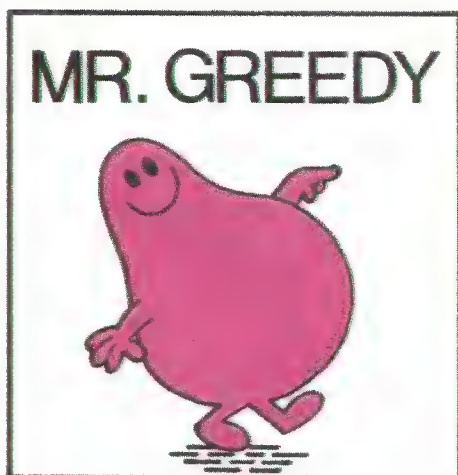
6. Holding his hat on, Mr. Silly came out of the shop with a pot of glue. What is he going to do?



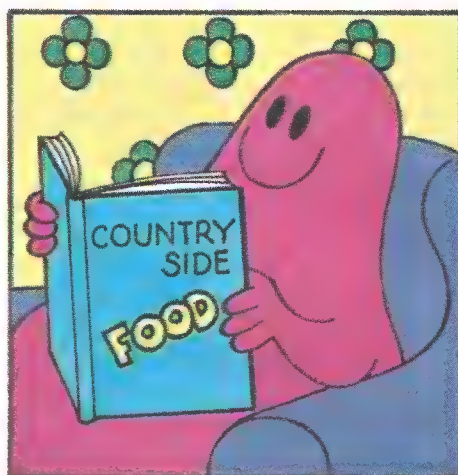
7. Mr. Silly put lots of glue on his hat. "Now my hat will stay on my head," he smiled.



8. Then, with his hat stuck firmly on his head, Mr. Silly went out again. How he laughed at other Mr. Men whose hats were being blown away! But how will he get his hat off? Silly Mr. Silly!



1. Here is Mr. Greedy. He is going out into the countryside to get some FREE food!



2. First he read a book about the country and the food which grew there FREE! Then off he went.



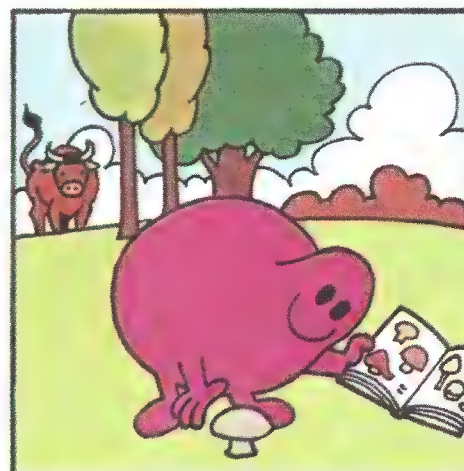
3. "Oo, lovely," said Mr. Greedy, when he saw some folk picking blackberries. "I'll have some!"



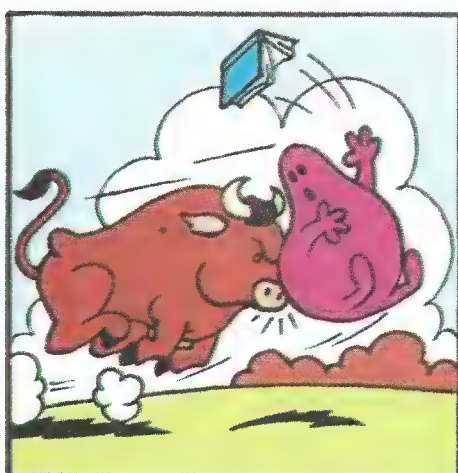
4. But when the folk had gone, and Mr. Greedy got to the bush, only *one* blackberry was left!



5. And he didn't have any luck when he went to a hazelnut bush. Squirrels were taking all the nuts!



6. "I haven't got any FREE country food," sighed Mr. Greedy. He didn't see a bull coming up!



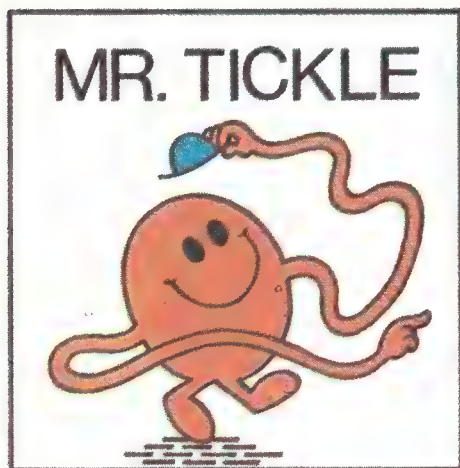
7. And the bull, who didn't like Mr. Greedy being in his field, charged and bumped Mr. Greedy!



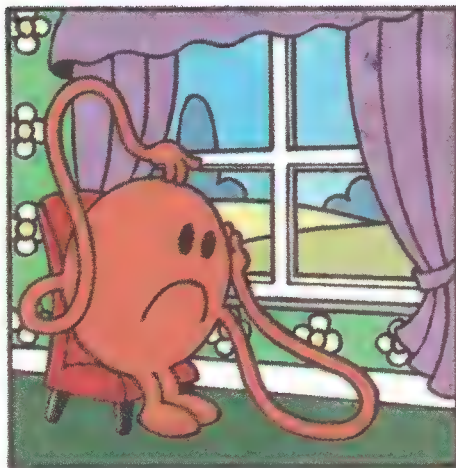
8. "Oh dear! I wish I'd stayed at home," gasped Mr. Greedy, as he flew up, then down into a tree.



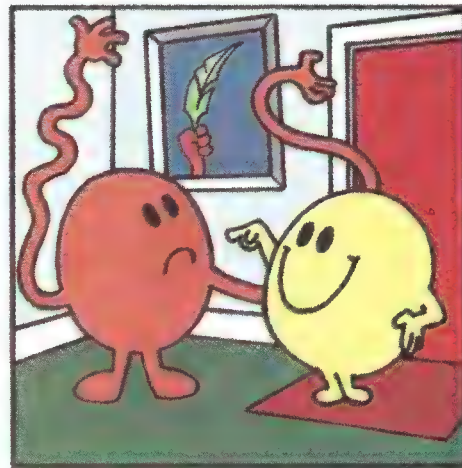
9. It was an apple tree — full of lovely red apples! "I like the FREE apples," smiled Mr. Greedy.



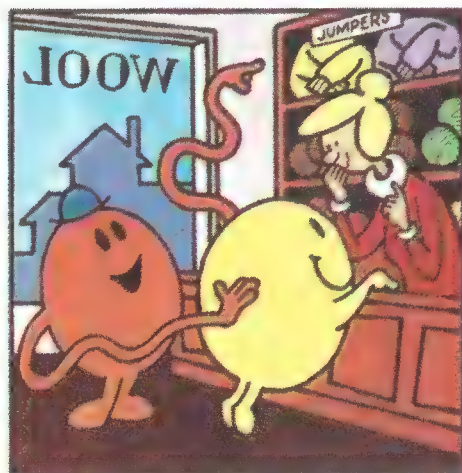
1. Mr. Tickle has extraordinary long arms, and he has fun going out and tickling folk.



2. But, one day, Mr. Tickle sat at home, feeling sad. Mr. Happy asked why he wasn't out tickling.



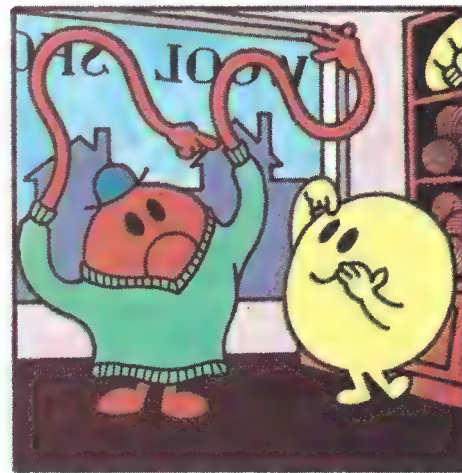
3. "My long arms get so cold now the cold weather is here," said Mr. Tickle. "What can I do?"



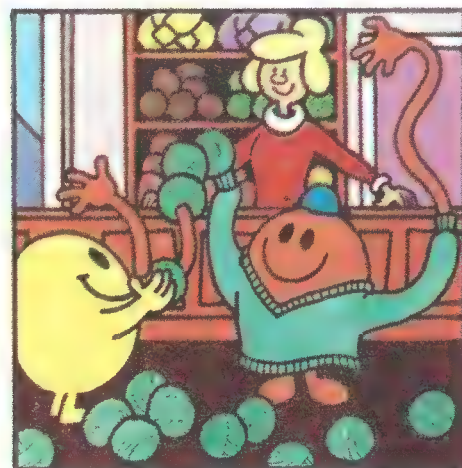
4. "Come with me," said Mr. Happy. He took Mr. Tickle to a wool shop to buy him a jumper.



5. Mr. Tickle put a jumper on, but of course, the sleeves were much too short for his long arms!



6. Even the very longest-sleeved jumper in the shop was too short. No wonder Mr. Tickle looked sad!



7. But then, Mr. Happy had an idea. He bought lots of balls of wool to put on his friend's bare arms.



8. In his jumper and woolly arm-warmers, Mr. Tickle was happy again! "Thank you for making me happy, Mr. Happy," he smiled. And he went out into the cold to tickle folk and make them happy, too!

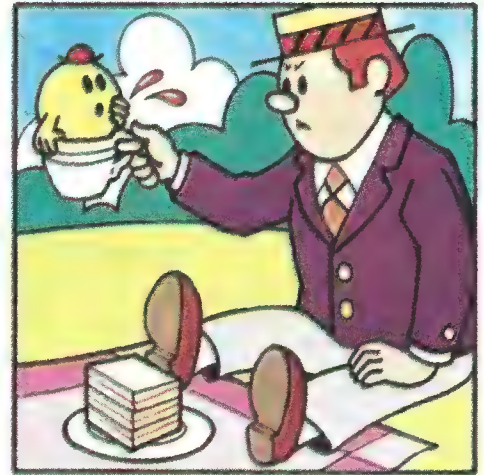
MR. BOUNCE



1. Bouncy Mr. Bounce is bouncing out of his house. "I'll go for a nice walk today," he said.



2. But when Mr. Bounce climbed on to a wall, he fell — and bounced on his head, into the air!



3. SPLOSH! He landed in a man's tea! "I'm sorry, sir," said Mr. Bounce. "I can't help bouncing."



4. "You poor chap," said the man. And he gave Mr. Bounce a stone, to keep him weighted down!



5. "Oo, carrying this stone is tiring," puffed Mr. Bounce, after a while. "I must stop and rest."



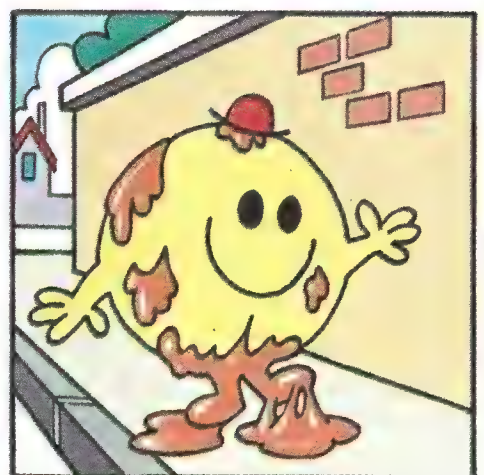
6. Unfortunately, he rested on a golf course — and a golfer mistook him for a golf ball — BONK!



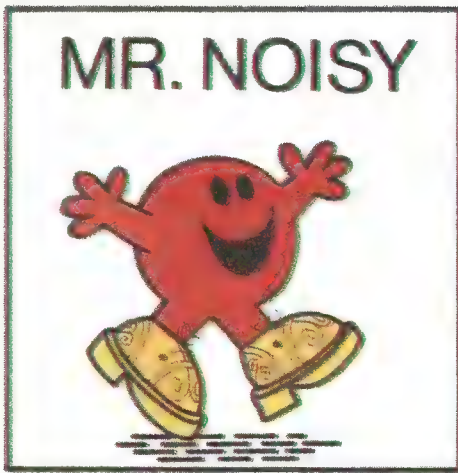
7. Poor Mr. Bounce! He flew up in the air and through an office window, and bumped a jar of glue!



8. "I'm sorry, Miss Typist," said Mr. Bounce. "But I'll take that spilt glue off your desk."



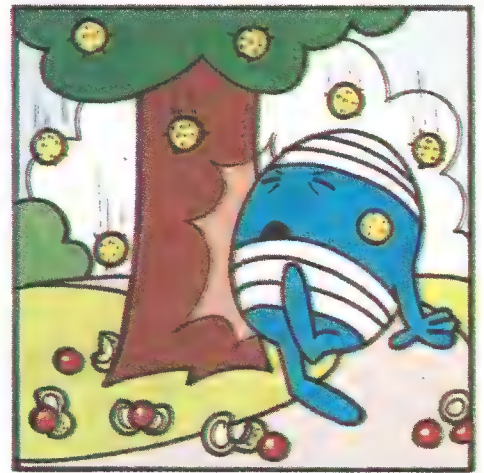
9. Then with the glue over him, Mr. Bounce went for a walk. His sticky feet stopped him *bouncing*!



1. Here is Mr. Noisy, going for a walk in the country. Doesn't he look happy? He had seen someone.



2. It was Mr. Bump, standing by a horse-chestnut tree. "Hi, there!" called Mr. Noisy loudly.



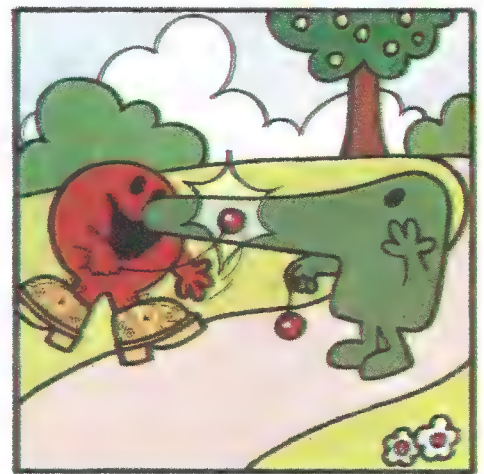
3. Mr. Bump turned, and BOMP! He bumped into the tree. Down came lots and lots of conkers.



4. As Mr. Bump picked himself up, Mr. Noisy picked up a conker. "Let's play a game," he said.



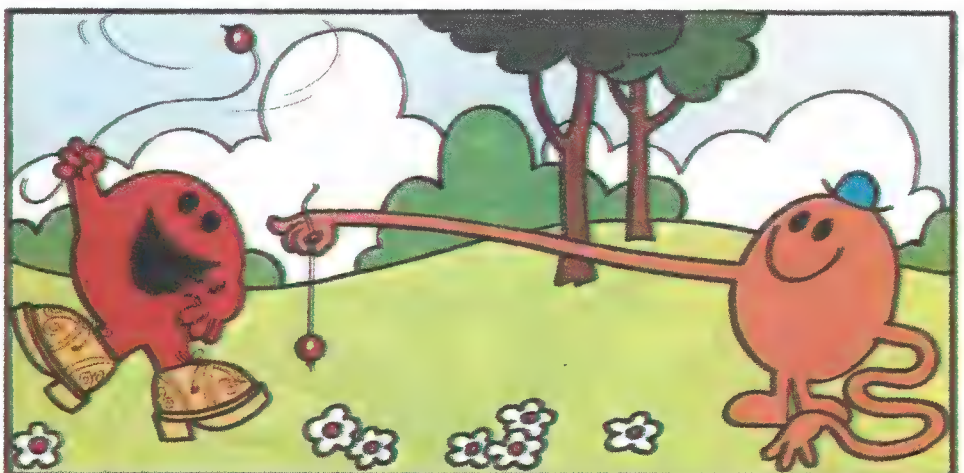
5. Mr. Noisy is a wild swinger, and his conker bumped Mr. Bump. So Mr. Bump stopped playing.



6. Next to play was Mr. Nosey, whose nose hit Mr. Noisy as Mr. Noisy bumped his nose.

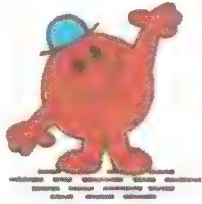


7. And Mr. Dizzy didn't like having his tummy bumped. "Play by yourself, Mr. Noisy," he said.



8. Then along came Mr. Tickle, who has extraordinary long arms, and he played Mr. Noisy. "You can swing your conker as wildly as you like, Mr. Noisy," he smiled. "I'm too far away to be bumped!"

MR. SMALL



1. Mr. Small, who is very small, does have a nice big smile, doesn't he? He is waving to *you*!



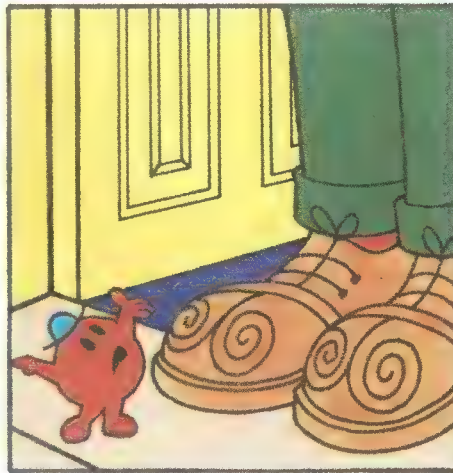
2. But Mr. Small lost his smile, when — CRASH! — something fell through the roof of his house!



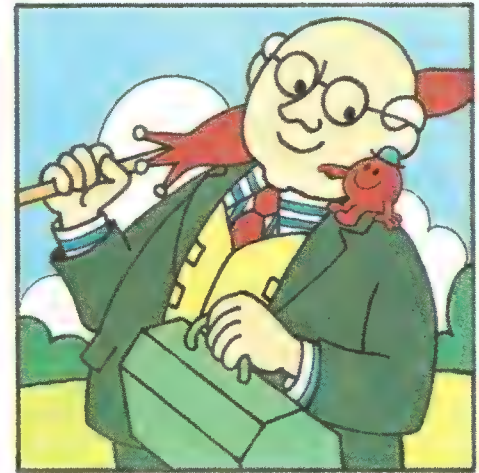
3. It was a sweet chestnut, but Mr. Small thought: "Strange things are falling out of the sky!"



4. As Mr. Small ran to tell his friend, Mr. Robinson, two more chestnuts fell, just missing him!



5. "Big objects are falling, Mr. Robinson," said Mr. Small. "There's a hole in my roof!"



6. "I know what did that," said Mr. Robinson. With tools and an umbrella, he carried Mr. Small.



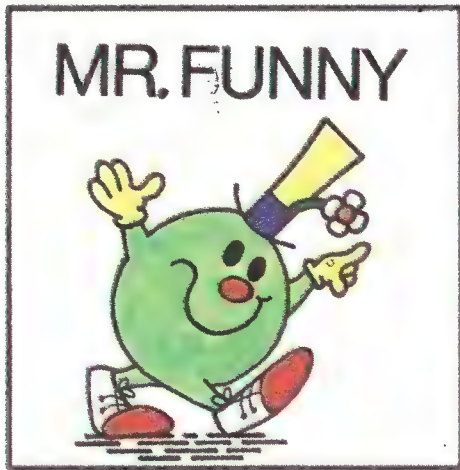
7. The umbrella sheltered Mr. Small while Mr. Robinson mended puzzled Mr. Small's roof.



8. "The falling objects are only sweet chestnuts," Mr. Robinson then said. "I'll cook some."



9. Mr. Robinson and Mr. Small had a chestnut feast! "I'm glad I came," said Mr. Robinson.



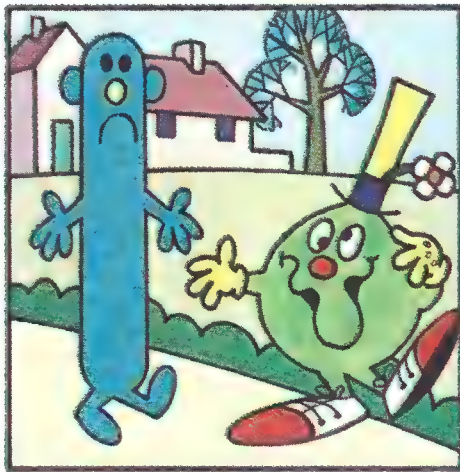
1. Here is Mr. Funny, who loves doing funny things to make other folk laugh and be happy!



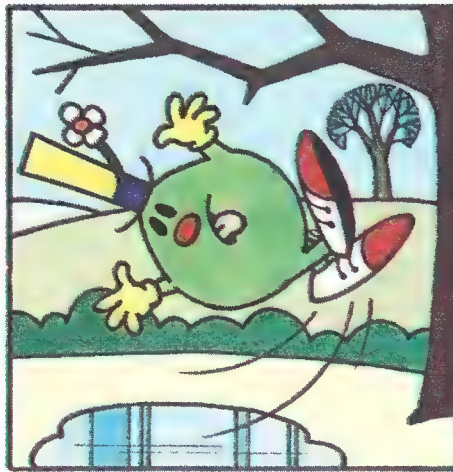
2. But, this day, Mr. Funny did not feel very funny. He went out looking very, very sad.



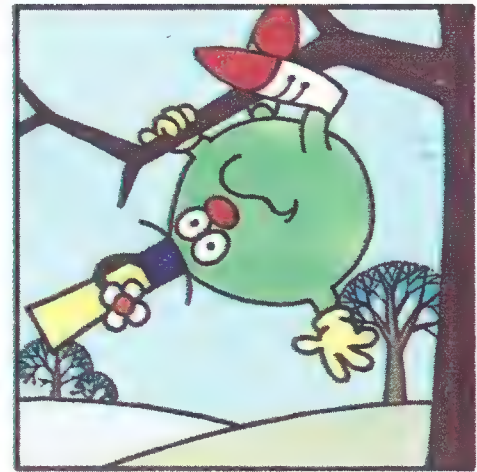
3. He met Mr. Silly and pulled a funny face to make him laugh. But, no! Mr. Silly frowned!



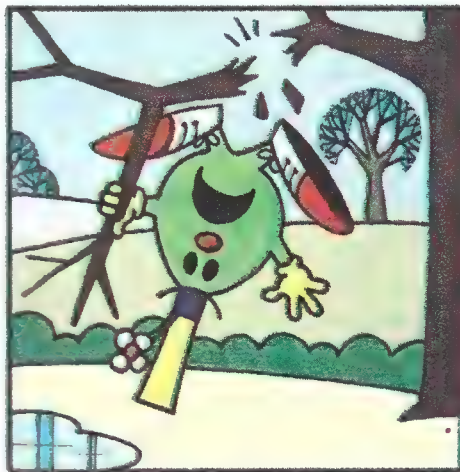
4. A funny face didn't make Mr. Mean laugh. "This just isn't my funny day," said Mr. Funny.



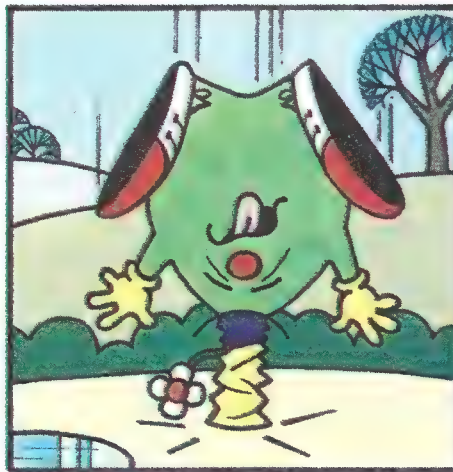
5. Then Mr. Funny trod on an icy puddle and slipped. Up into the air he went, ever so upset!



6. Mr. Funny caught hold of a tree branch. "Oh dear! How am I going to get down?" he sighed.



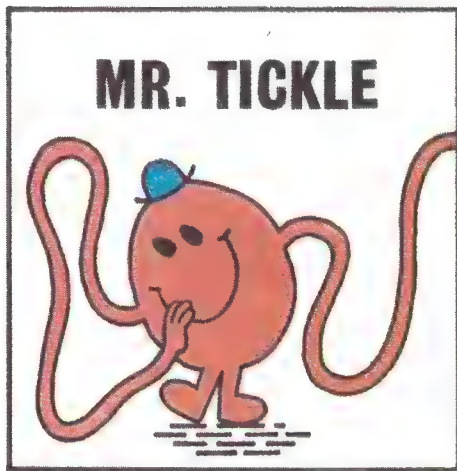
7. Well, the branch broke, and surprised Mr. Funny went down, down, down, head first!



8. And Mr. Funny landed with a BONK! on his tall hat! The hat was very squashed after that!



9. Some Mr. Men laughed at upside-down Mr. Funny! "They're happy, so I am!" smiled Mr. Funny.



1. Here is Mr. Tickle, one cold day. "I'll do some tickling to keep me warm," he smiled.



2. And he stretched out one of his extraordinary long arms to tickle a man with logs for sale.



3. Then Mr. Tickle tickled! And the log man, with a giggle and a jump, upset his barrow of logs!



4. Some Mr. Men had to leap out of the way when the logs rolled down a hill. Then, SPLOSH!



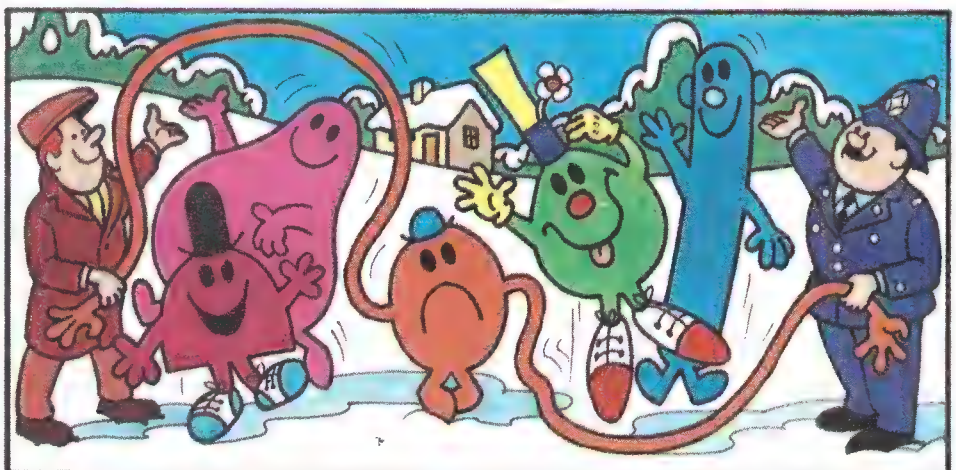
5. The logs rolled into a duck pond! "Naughty Mr. Tickle!" said P.C. Nut. "Now rescue those logs!"



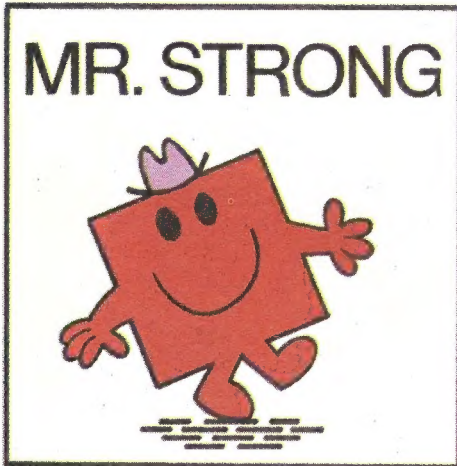
6. So sad Mr. Tickle fished the logs out of the pond and put them in the log man's barrow.



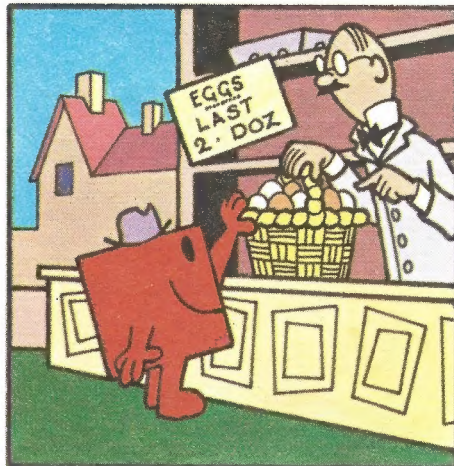
7. "These logs are too wet for us to burn," said the Mr. Men. "How can we keep warm?" P.C. Nut knew!



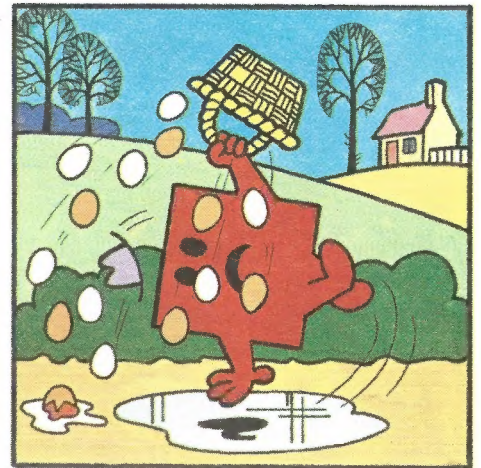
8. "Skipping will keep you warm, Mr. Men," he said. "And Mr. Tickle can use his long arms as a skipping rope!" Mr. Tickle was sorry he had tickled the log man! But his friends had fun!



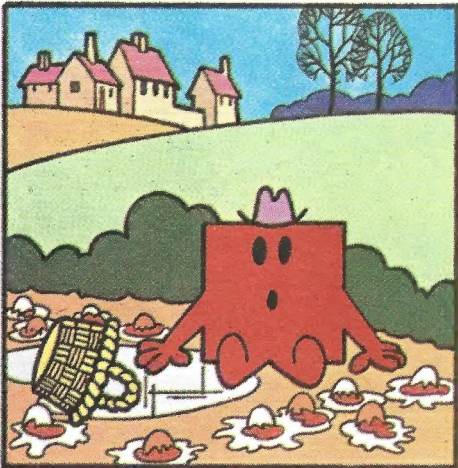
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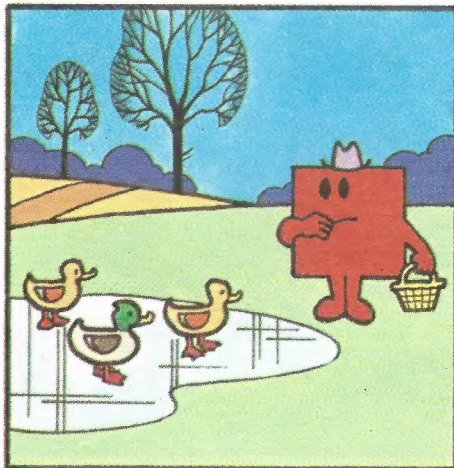
2. At the egg-shop Mr. Strong bought a basket of eggs. "I have no more," said the shop-man.



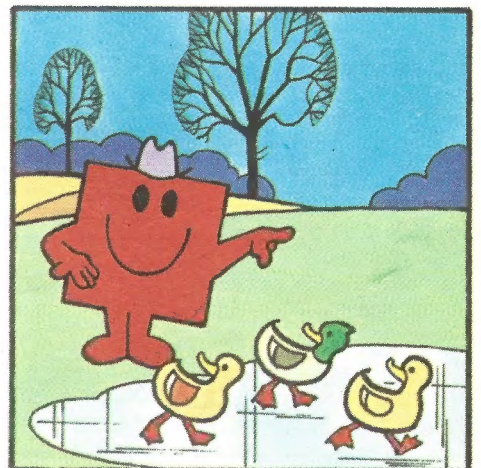
3. Poor Mr. Strong! On his way home he slipped on some ice. Up he went, and down fell his eggs!



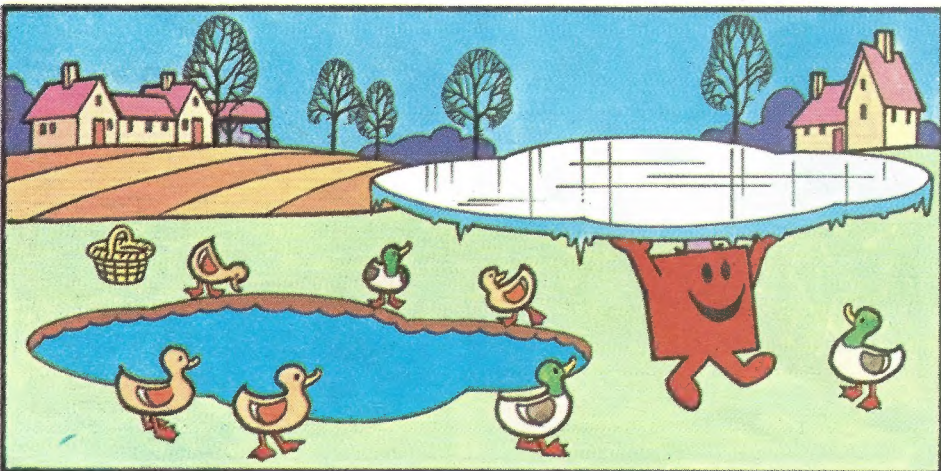
4. "Oh dear," sighed Mr. Strong. "All my eggs are broken, and the shop doesn't have any more!"



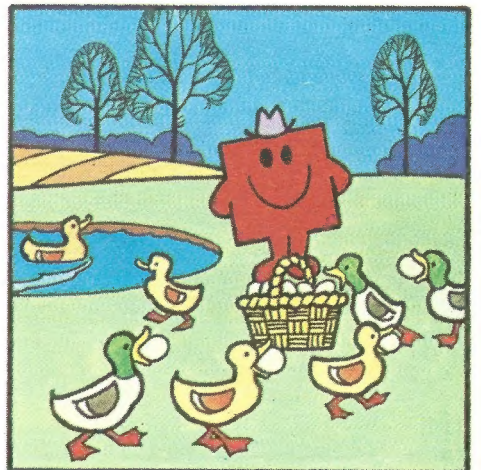
5. But then Mr. Strong saw some ducks. They did look sad as they stood on their frozen pond!



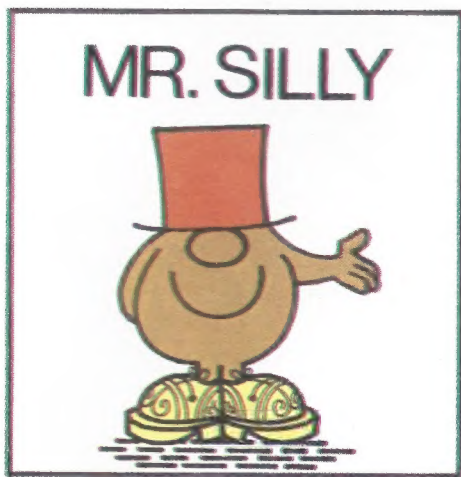
6. Mr. Strong had an idea. "Get off your pond," he told the ducks. "I know how to make you happy."



7. Strong Mr. Strong then lifted the sheet of thick ice off the pond and carried it away. "There, now you can swim, duckies," smiled Mr. Strong. "I think I deserve an egg from each of you, don't you?"



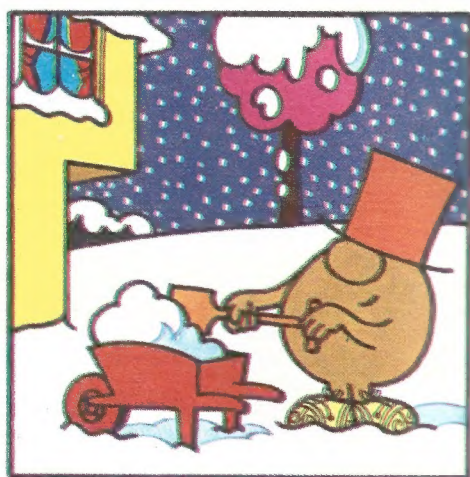
8. The ducks thought so, and they all brought him an egg. "I'm glad I'm strong," smiled Mr. Strong.



1. Here is Mr. Silly, who is sure to do something silly! "I'll see if the sun is shining," he said.



2. It wasn't! It was snowing! And Mr. Silly thought: "I can make something with snow!"



3. Then Mr. Silly went and got his barrow and spade, and started filling his barrow with snow.



4. Look what Mr. Silly did next! He wheeled his barrow indoors and tipped the snow on the floor!



5. "I won't get cold, making a snowman indoors," smiled Mr. Silly. He made a big snowman, too!



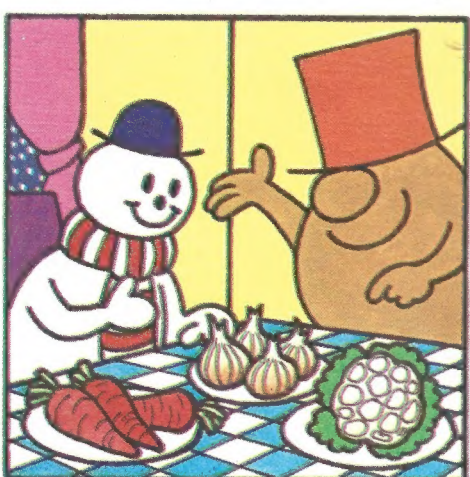
6. But, in the warm room, the snowman began to melt! "Funny! He's shrinking!" said Mr. Silly.



7. Soon there was no snowman. Only a pool of water! And Mr. Snow saw a very sad Mr. Silly!



8. *Knock-knock!* Mr. Silly opened his door. "Come in, Mr. Snow," he smiled. "I am pleased to see you!"



9. Now Mr. Silly had a Snowman indoors — and one he could talk to! They had silly things for tea!

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